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AUSTRALIA

TABLE A.1.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF WAGE OR SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT.

(Including Part-time Relief Workers in actual employment or number equivalent thereto).

(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No. 3.)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland (a)	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	AUSTRALIA
Average for year -							
1936-37 ..	787,492	567,874	234,500	172,750	141,390	52,941	1,956,947
1937-38 ..	838,583	591,884	245,800	182,863	145,410	57,092	2,061,632
1938-39 ..	846,489	601,773	257,700	182,650	147,095	61,380	2,097,087
1939-40 - Month -							
July ..	842,937	589,226	262,800	181,212	147,532	60,290	2,083,997
August ..	841,242	588,677	268,300	182,692	145,324	60,747	2,086,982
September ..	847,235	592,916	269,500	181,556	143,251	60,926	2,095,384
October ..	858,319	611,691	270,800	181,745	144,128	62,077	2,128,760
November ..	863,986	623,659	270,800	182,057	146,078	63,307	2,149,887
December ..	882,291	631,019	269,200	189,715	150,983	65,728	2,188,936
January ..	858,475	627,825	267,700	183,286	147,093	67,988	2,152,367
February ..	866,057	631,709	262,100	184,296	145,344	67,342	2,156,848
March ..	872,824	634,363	254,700	185,543	146,073	69,479	2,162,982
April ..	857,971	640,133	250,100	186,871	145,268	67,824	2,148,167

(a) Monthly figures are the average for the three months ended in the month indicated.

TABLE A.II.

INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT IN FACTORIES (a).

(Base: 1928-29 = 100)

(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No. 3).

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australian Index	
							Unadjusted	Divided by Index of Employee Population
Number of Employees in -								
1928-29 ..	174,120	149,266	43,436	35,376	19,799	9,984	431,981	-
Index for -								
1928-29 ..	100	100	100	100	100	100	100.0	100.0
1938-39 ..	127	130	117	119	112	132	125.7	111.4
1938-39 -								
November ..	128	132	120	118	113	129	127.0	112.7
December ..	127	131	121	119	114	132	126.6	112.2
January ..	123	126	109	120	111	138	122.3	108.3
February ..	126	131	112	123	112	141	126.0	111.5
March ..	128	133	114	125	112	140	127.6	112.8
April ..	127	131	114	121	111	137	126.4	111.7
1939-40 -								
August ..	124	123	119	119	107	119	121.9	107.3
November ..	131	133	124	117	110	139	128.9	113.2
December ..	133	132	121	122	111	142	129.6	113.7
January ..	131	135	110	122	110	138	128.7	112.8
February ..	131	137	113	123	109	145	130.2	114.0
March ..	133	138	118	126	108	151	132.0	115.5
April ..	130	139	118	127	108	148	131.2	114.7
May ..								
Number of Factories in Sample	1,901	100	150	147	92	49	2,439	-
Percentage of Employees in Sample in 1937-38	86	21	46	62	32	56	54	-

(a) Excluding Working Proprietors.

A comparison of factory employment in April, 1940 (the latest month for which figures are available for all States) with April, 1939, shows the following estimated percentage changes:- New South Wales, +2.4; Victoria, +6.1; Queensland, +3.5; South Australia, +5.0; Western Australia, -2.7; Tasmania, +8.0; Australia, +3.8 (or, taking account of the growth of employee population, +2.7).

The index numbers for 1938-39 for all States except Queensland are based on final figures. From July, 1939 the index numbers for these States have been computed on the basis of the 1938-39 final figures for the State concerned.

From July, 1938 the index number for Queensland, has been computed on the basis of the 1937-38 final figures.

All index numbers except those based on final figures, are subject to revision.

TABLE A.III.

MALES EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES AS PERCENTAGE OF ALL PERSONS
EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES.

Year	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	AUSTRALIA
1926-27	74.8	66.3	83.8	82.4	81.7	80.2	73.8
1927-28	74.8	66.2	83.2	82.0	81.2	77.6	73.6
1928-29	74.4	65.7	81.9	82.0	81.0	77.2	73.1
1929-30	74.1	65.1	81.9	81.7	80.3	78.2	72.7
1930-31	72.6	64.4	81.6	80.2	79.3	77.5	71.5
1931-32	70.7	62.1	80.8	78.6	77.6	76.6	69.5
1932-33	71.0	62.2	79.8	78.5	76.2	76.4	69.4
1933-34	71.5	63.2	79.7	79.8	78.9	77.9	70.2
1934-35	71.8	64.1	79.7	80.8	79.4	78.0	70.8
1935-36	72.2	65.3	80.0	81.2	80.1	76.6	71.5
1936-37	72.2	66.1	80.1	81.6	80.3	80.0	72.0
1937-38	72.4	66.6	80.6	81.9	80.2	80.3	72.3
1938-39	72.4	66.6	80.6	81.2	79.7	80.1	72.1
1938 -							
February	72.4	66.3	79.6	81.7	80.1	79.9	72.0
March ..	72.2	66.2	80.0	81.4	80.4	79.4	72.0
April ..	72.1	66.6	80.4	81.6	80.2	80.2	72.1
May ..	72.3	66.8	80.6	81.7	80.2	80.0	72.3
June ..	72.6	66.9	80.8	81.7	80.2	79.8	72.5
July (a)	72.5	66.8	81.5	81.5	79.9	79.7	72.3
August ..	72.4	66.4	81.8	81.2	79.9	79.9	72.1
September	72.2	66.2	81.7	81.2	79.5	80.7	72.0
October	72.1	66.4	80.6	81.2	79.6	81.0	71.8
November	72.0	66.5	80.7	81.1	79.8	81.3	72.0
December	72.0	67.0	81.0	81.5	79.7	81.3	72.1
1939 -							
January	73.3	67.9	79.8	81.7	79.8	80.0	73.0
February	72.4	66.2	79.6	81.6	79.7	79.6	71.9
March ..	72.2	65.9	79.4	81.3	79.8	79.8	71.6
April ..	72.2	66.2	80.1	81.1	80.0	79.2	71.8
May ..	72.5	66.8	80.5	80.8	79.5	80.0	72.1
June ..	72.7	66.8	80.7	80.8	79.4	79.2	72.2
July (b)	n.a.	66.2	81.9	79.8	78.9	80.1	72.0
August ..	n.a.	65.9	81.5	81.2	78.9	80.2	72.1
September	n.a.	65.5	81.4	80.3	77.9	81.1	71.5
October	n.a.	65.6	81.5	80.2	77.8	81.2	71.5
November	n.a.	64.9	80.8	79.6	78.3	80.8	70.9
December	n.a.	65.4	80.4	80.4	76.2	81.0	71.3
1940 -							
January	n.a.	63.3	79.8	80.0	78.8	81.7	69.7
February	n.a.	64.3	79.3	79.2	79.1	81.1	70.2
March ..	n.a.	64.3	77.9	79.4	78.8	79.5	70.0
April ..	n.a.	63.9	79.9	79.0	78.6	79.3	69.9
May ..							
June ..							

n.a. Not available.

Note: This table has been revised to exclude working proprietors.

- (a) For 1938-39 the percentages are based on final figures for all States, except Queensland, and on estimates computed from returns from "sample" factories for the latter State.
- (b) From July, 1939 the State percentages are based on estimates computed from returns from "sample" factories, while the percentage for Australia is calculated on the assumption that the change in masculinity in the six States is equal to the change in the five States, other than New South Wales, for which sample masculinity figures are not available.

TABLE A.IV.

MONTHLY INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT IN RETAIL STORES.

(Base: July, 1933 = 100).

(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No. 3)

Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia	
							Unadjusted Index	Index divided by Index of Employee Population
Index for -								
1938-39 ..	132	142	114	114	116	133	130.0	122.5
1938 -								
November ..	132	146	115	116	116	130	131.3	123.9
December ..	148	165	127	124	131	146	146.9	138.5
1939 -								
January ..	129	142	113	111	120	137	128.8	121.3
February ..	134	141	113	112	113	131	129.8	122.2
March ..	129	139	113	111	113	132	127.2	119.6
April ..	129	139	112	111	113	133	127.4	119.7
August ..	129	137	114	109	114	134	126.8	118.7
November ..	133	147	117	111	113	139	131.6	122.9
December ..	148	165	131	127	125	154	147.8	137.9
1940 -								
January ..	132	144	117	111	118	144	130.9	122.0
February ..	135	139	114	110	115	138	130.0	121.0
March ..	131	140	114	110	116	137	128.6	119.6
April ..	129	144	116	111	115	137	129.5	120.4
May ..								
Number of establishments now furnishing returns	599	102	120	35	69	14	939	939

A comparison of employment in retail stores in April, 1940 (the latest month for which figures are available for all States) with April, 1939, shows the following estimated percentage changes:- New South Wales, Nil; Victoria, +3.6; Queensland, +3.6; South Australia, Nil; Western Australia, +1.8; Tasmania, +3.0; Australia, +1.6 (or, taking account of the growth of employee population, +0.6).

AUSTRALIA

TABLE A.V. NUMBERS OF PERSONNEL OF COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, SEMI-GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES.

(EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS.)

Month	Commonwealth Government			State Government			Semi-Government			Local Government	Total	Employees of Contractors on Construction Work
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Persons	Persons	Persons
1938 - June ..	47,373	10,829	58,202	225,298	39,046	264,344	16,202	1,185	17,387	60,273	400,206	9,934
1939 - June ..	52,730	11,842	64,572	230,628	40,045	270,673	18,708	1,230	19,938	63,494	418,677	11,713
<u>1938 -</u>	Persons			Persons			Persons					
July ..		58,037			263,040			18,070		59,903	399,050	10,204
August ..		58,258			261,706			17,706		59,076	396,746	9,990
September ..		58,532			261,926			17,870		59,057	397,385	10,061
October ..		59,270			262,295			17,435		59,752	398,752	10,183
November ..		59,768			263,527			17,308		60,592	401,195	10,123
December ..		60,536			264,097			17,228		62,728	404,589	9,695
<u>1939 -</u>												
January ..		60,307			262,024			17,908		59,381	399,620	10,078
February ..		61,504			266,029			18,090		60,667	406,290	10,641
March ..		62,299			267,433			18,852		60,961	409,545	11,184
April ..		63,022			269,344			19,112		62,108	413,586	10,888
May ..		64,072			271,519			19,629		63,196	418,416	11,183
June ..		64,572			270,673			19,938		63,494	418,677	11,713
July ..		64,481			269,541			19,891		61,746	415,659	10,588
August ..		64,675			267,829			20,076		61,004	413,584	10,451
September ..		65,832			267,404			19,290		60,449	412,975	9,997
October ..		68,275			267,374			18,909		58,465	413,023	9,901
November ..		69,558			269,484			18,790		56,976	414,808	10,427
December ..		71,114			269,204			18,473		57,891	416,682	10,557
<u>1940 -</u>												
January ..		71,042			269,220			17,805		54,655	412,722	(b)
February ..		72,330			271,256			17,924		55,572	417,082	(b)
March ..		73,345			272,388			18,140		55,938	419,861	(b)
April ..		74,747			183,803(a)			17,409(a)		43,916(a)	297,743(a)	(b)
May ..												
June ..												

(a) Excluding figures for Victoria which are not yet available. (b) Not available.

TABLE A.VIII.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.

UNEMPLOYMENT - AUSTRALIA - NUMBER AND MEMBERSHIP OF REPORTING UNIONS AND BRANCHES,
AND NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE UNEMPLOYED (a).

(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No. 3).

Quarter		New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia			
								Number of Unions	Membership (b)	Number Unemployed	Percentage
1932 -		%	%	%	%	%	%				
June (c)	..	33.2	27.7	19.9	35.2	30.3	27.5	396	413,742	124,068	30.0
1936 -											
March	..	17.2	10.8	8.5	12.2	10.3	10.8	395	445,294	59,621	13.4
June	..	16.2	10.6	8.5	11.0	9.2	9.4	394	446,564	57,001	12.8
September	..	14.8	11.7	7.2	10.0	7.4	9.8	390	436,139	52,482	12.0
December	..	13.3	9.7	7.2	9.9	5.6	9.1	390	437,246	46,863	10.7
1937 -											
March	..	11.8	9.5	7.7	9.5	5.4	7.8	388	443,446	44,004	9.9
June	..	11.4	9.6	7.6	8.3	5.6	6.9	387	447,714	43,584	9.7
September	..	10.5	9.5	7.2	8.4	6.6	7.2	387	451,584	42,145	9.3
December	..	10.1	7.3	6.6	6.5	5.0	7.1	387	445,608	37,558	8.2
1938 -											
March	..	9.6	7.3	6.6	6.9	4.8	5.7	386	462,918	37,111	8.0
June	..	9.8	8.5	7.2	7.5	5.3	7.2	386	464,208	39,824	8.6
September	..	10.0	9.7	6.3	10.0	6.1	8.5	394	468,634	43,092	9.2
December	..	10.1	9.0	5.7	8.8	6.5	10.2	395	471,581	42,077	8.9
1939 -											
March	..	11.0	10.8	6.1	9.3	7.3	7.6	395	475,378	46,611	9.8
June	..	11.1	10.4	5.7	9.5	6.2	9.4	398	478,250	46,249	9.7
September	..	12.1	11.2	5.8	9.4	8.2	8.3	397	479,103	49,954	10.4
December	..	11.6	9.0	5.8	9.1	6.6	7.1	392	479,348	45,315	9.5
1940 -											
March	..	10.2	6.5	5.8	8.5	6.9	4.8	394	484,907	39,373	8.1

(a) The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they do not include persons out of work through strikes or lockouts. (b) Represents approximately 54 per cent. of the total membership of Trade Unions. (c) Peak of Unemployment.

TABLE A.IX. UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.
UNEMPLOYMENT (a) - AUSTRALIA - PERCENTAGES IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS.

Industrial Group	1932	Year 1938	Year 1939	1938			1939				1940
	June Quarter (b)			June Quarter	September Quarter	December Quarter	March Quarter	June Quarter	September Quarter	December Quarter	March Quarter
Manufacturing -	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
I. Wood furniture, etc. ..	39.6	9.9	15.9	8.1	13.7	13.4	15.7	16.4	18.1	13.4	6.7
II. Engineering, metal works etc.	33.9	4.6	7.7	3.6	5.5	5.8	7.5	7.9	8.6	6.8	5.5
III. Food, drink, tobacco etc. ..	19.3	17.0	17.3	18.8	18.8	15.5	16.0	18.3	18.4	16.6	14.5
IV. Clothing, hats, boots etc.	22.6	12.4	12.4	12.5	10.6	13.3	14.0	12.6	13.3	9.6	6.5
V. Books, printing, etc. ..	16.8	3.7	4.1	4.3	3.8	3.4	3.8	4.1	5.1	3.6	4.7
VI. Other Manufacturing ..	43.0	10.1	11.5	8.8	11.4	11.4	11.8	11.1	11.7	11.2	9.8
VII. Building ..	42.1	7.9	8.8	8.5	7.2	7.6	8.8	8.0	9.3	9.2	10.4
VIII. Mining, quarrying etc. ..	34.2	12.5	12.8	13.0	12.8	10.7	11.9	11.5	12.6	15.4	8.6
X. Land transport other than railway and tramway services	29.6	9.2	7.9	9.7	9.6	7.9	7.7	7.5	8.7	7.7	7.3
IX., XI., XII., XIII. and XIV(c) Other and Miscellaneous ..	22.2	6.7	7.3	6.9	7.2	6.6	7.3	6.9	7.4	7.7	7.5
<u>ALL GROUPS:</u>	30.0	8.7	9.8	8.6	9.2	8.9	9.8	9.7	10.4	9.5	8.1

(a) Excluding persons out of work through strikes or lockouts.

(b) Peak of unemployment.

(c) Shipping, etc.; Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.; Domestic, Hotels,
etc. and miscellaneous.

AUSTRALIA.

TABLE A.X. REGISTERED UNEMPLOYED AT
STATE LABOUR EXCHANGES.

Month	New South Wales (a)	Victoria (b)	Queensland (c)	South Australia (d)	Western Australia		Tasmania (g)	TOTAL AUSTRALIA
					Labour Exchange (e)	Dept. of Employment (f)		
<u>1939 -</u>								
July ..	52,107	21,139	23,037	8,656	1,379	4,504	2,315	113,137
August ..	52,851	21,938	22,406	8,859	1,552	4,618	2,369	114,593
September ..	52,307	20,703	23,224	8,824	1,331	4,267	2,048	112,704
October ..	51,326	17,768	24,109	7,857	1,278	4,377	1,603	108,318
November ..	47,555	14,946	25,664	6,915	1,030	4,202	1,279	101,591
December ..	45,461	13,742	31,023	5,619	748	4,642	1,019	102,254
<u>1940 -</u>								
January ..	47,412	12,529	35,801	6,574	1,238	4,390	360	108,304
February ..	46,415	11,577	34,864	5,946	1,001	4,414	378	104,595
March ..	45,681	11,109	32,735	5,494	991	4,482	687	101,179
April ..	50,813	11,467	29,451	6,060	1,000	4,317	371	103,479
May ..								

(a) Adult Males. Includes those engaged on part-time Relief Work. (b) Males. Includes those working for Sustenance. (c) Persons. (d) Males. Includes those engaged on part-time Relief Work. (e) Adult Males, Females, and a certain proportion of the State's registered unemployed youth. Re-registrations and new registrations during the month. These figures relate to persons registered for placement, principally in private employment. (f) Males. These figures relate to relief workers engaged through the Department of Employment. (g) Persons. Excludes Rural Registrations (for January, February and April) which are not yet available.

TABLE A.XI.

EMPLOYABILITY OF REGISTERED MALE ADULT UNEMPLOYED

(INCLUDING THOSE ENGAGED ON RELIEF WORKS)

1st-31st October, 1939.

State	Date 1939	Employable								Unemployable								Unem- ployed Working on Relief Works	Other	GRAND TOTAL	
		(a) At Skilled Manual Labour		(b) At Other Manual Work		(c) At Other Work		Total		(a) Capable of fairly rapid reha- bilitation for manual labour		(b) Capable of fairly rapid reha- bilitation for other labour		(c) Not capable of fairly rapid reha- bilitation for any form of labour		Total					
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%				
N.S.W.	1 October	4,185	8.0	37,661	72.0	2,615	5.0	44,461	85.0	5,754	11.0	522	1.0	1,569	3.0	7,846	15.0	18,803	33,504	52,307	100.0
Vic.	21	5,766	23.0	14,779	64.0	1,888	7.0	22,434	94.0	513	2.0	513	2.0	514	2.0	1,540	6.0	4,472	19,502	23,974	100.0
Qld.	1	2,997	14.96	13,707	68.44	652	3.26	17,356	86.67	891	4.45	891	4.45	890	4.44	2,672	13.34	*	*	20,028	100.0
S.A.	1	1,431	16.217	5,456	61.831	176	1.994	7,063	80.042	587	6.652	587	6.652	587	6.652	1,761	19.956	143	8,631	8,824	100.0
W.A.	28	1,500	22.4	4,769	71.3	206	3.1	6,475	96.8	20	0.3	141	2.1	49	0.8	210	3.2	5,621	1,064	6,685	100.0
Tas.	24	121	7.00	1,302	75.00	52	3.00	1,475	85.00	86	5.00	121	7.00	53	3.00	260	15.00	/	/	1,735	100.0
Totals	1	16,000	14.1	77,674	68.4	5,590	4.92	99,264	87.4	7,851	6.91	2,776	2.45	3,662	3.23	14,289	12.6	29,039	62,751	113,553	100.0

/ Arbitrary allocation of total unemployable.

* Classification not applicable.

/ On 15th October, 1939 there were in Tasmania 783 males on Relief Works.

NOTE:- This necessarily very rough analysis of the quality of the registered male adult unemployed (including those engaged on Relief Works) was made by the State Labour Exchanges for various stated dates in the month of October, 1939. No definitions of the terms used were attempted. In Queensland and Tasmania the registrations do not take account of men on Relief Works. It should be noticed that arbitrary allocations of the total unemployable had to be made for Victoria, Queensland and South Australia.

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TABLE N.I.

ESTIMATED TOTAL WAGE OR SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT.

(Including Full-time Equivalent of Part time Relief Workers)

(See "Supplementary Notes". Issue No. 3.)

Date	Governmental (State and Commonwealth) (a)	Local Govern- ment (b)	Factories (except Work- ing Proprietors)		Mines (c)		Rural (Permanent Paid Employees)
			Government	Other	Coal (d)	Other	
<u>1933 - 30th June</u>	104,235	14,953	15,500	117,844	17,160		29,779
<u>Average for year -</u>							
1933-34 ..	104,847	15,978	14,359	133,357	17,930		33,234
1934-35 ..	108,862	17,682	15,135	153,323	18,470		37,357
1935-36 ..	113,050	18,462	14,962	171,509	19,790		39,790
1936-37 ..	118,381	22,794	15,204	186,190	13,971	6,476	41,681
1937-38 ..	126,158	27,868	15,637	201,792	14,938	7,409	42,258
1938-39 ..	129,633	25,117	16,206	204,992	15,800	7,505	41,522
<u>1939-40 - Month -</u>							
July ..	132,000	24,214	17,192	199,810	16,667	6,845	41,500(e)
August ..	131,400	24,127	17,399	199,700	16,935	7,098	
September ..	131,500	23,831	17,668	202,130	16,988	6,799	
October ..	130,200	23,352	17,718	207,280	16,747	6,983	
November ..	131,300	22,910	17,764	211,336	16,319	7,032	
December ..	132,000	23,714	17,697	215,100	16,768	7,057	
January ..	132,400	22,769	16,856	211,440	16,406	6,744	
February ..	133,800	22,765	17,348	212,350	16,472	6,965	
March ..	134,500	22,687	17,962	215,707	16,462	6,975	
April ..	135,000	22,508	18,011	211,692	16,468	6,641	

- (a) Governmental: Commonwealth and State Governments, governmental and semi-governmental bodies. An adjustment has been made in these figures to allow for cleaners and others normally employed for less than a full working day.
- (b) Local Government: Number recorded in wages tax returns of large councils plus 20 per cent. estimate for small councils.
- (c) Mining: Includes a small number of employees, other than mining, engaged in connection with some of the larger mines. Coal miners out of work through major industrial disputes are included; and employees in the State coal mine (about 400) are duplicated - here and with "Governmental".
- (d) Approximately 890 coal miners on strike during February and approximately 14,000 during March and April are included in total.
- (e) Rural: Employment not ascertainable monthly. This approximate figure is inserted to enable a total to be provided.

NEW SOUTH WALES

TABLE N.I.

(Continued)

Date	Retail Shops (including Restaurants)(f)	Wholesale Trade (g)	Number employed by employers with ten or more taxable employees in -				Total off fore-going (i)	Balance	Total Wage Earners in Employment	Relief Workers		Grand Total including Full-time Equivalent of Relief Workers
			Offices and Commerce	Transport (Sea and Land)	Building and Contracting (h)	Amusements				Total	Full-Time Equivalent	
1933 - 30th June	61,000	20,000	21,334	14,237	2,706	4,902	408,150	186,123	594,273	34,144	8,048	602,321
Average for year -												
1933-34 ..	64,330	20,700	21,943	15,442	3,755	4,998	436,514	183,782	620,296	58,120	16,155	636,451
1934-35 ..	69,330	22,300	23,086	17,478	5,014	5,446	478,348	196,760	675,108	67,693	21,416	696,524
1935-36 ..	73,700	24,500	24,865	18,243	6,854	5,592	516,355	211,911	728,266	61,280	20,425	748,691
1936-37 ..	77,450	26,375	25,443	19,424	8,380	5,719	552,284	222,715	774,999	35,122	12,493	787,492
1937-38 ..	81,200	27,438	26,150	20,841	9,570	5,900	591,522	237,228	828,750	21,034	9,833	838,583
1938-39 ..	82,450	28,159	27,186	20,847	9,691	5,937	598,839	238,294	837,133	19,779	9,356	846,489
1939-40 - Month -												
July ..	83,070	27,892	26,872	20,695	9,079	5,762	594,396	238,935	833,331	20,456	9,606	842,937
August ..	80,570	27,962	27,060	20,695	8,892	5,886	591,825	239,981	831,806	20,183	9,436	841,242
September ..	80,570	28,093	27,653	21,738	8,790	5,708	595,300	243,135	838,435	18,803	8,800	847,235
October ..	81,200	28,519	28,349	21,624	9,978	5,879	601,611	248,438	850,049	17,545	8,270	858,319
November ..	83,070	28,820	29,088	21,154	9,182	5,906	607,617	249,244	856,861	14,949	7,125	863,986
December ..	92,440	29,115	29,438	20,913	9,110	5,820	622,975	252,491	875,466	14,212	6,825	882,291
January ..	82,450	28,175	29,158	20,929	8,446	5,688	606,105	245,250	851,355	14,800	7,120	858,475
February ..	84,350	28,241	29,553	21,308	8,537	5,778	611,613	247,790	859,403	13,953	6,654	866,057
March ..	81,950	28,559	29,276	22,243	8,352	6,431	615,507	251,049	866,556	13,135	6,268	872,824
April ..	80,918	28,520	29,030	21,400	8,258	5,947	607,882	244,249	852,131	12,304	5,840	857,971

(f) **Retail:** Annual recorded total adjusted on basis of wages tax figures to approximate parity with totals derived from shop registrations. Includes all employees - not merely shop assistants.

(g) **Wholesale:** Figures for 1933 to 1935-36 are approximations; later figures are those recorded in wages tax returns plus 10 per cent. allowance for small wholesale houses. Includes all employees of employers whose business is principally in wholesale trade.

(h) These figures represent only a small proportion, probably about one-sixth, of the total number engaged in building and contracting.

(i) Avoiding duplication of Government factorials.

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TABLE N.II.

TOTAL MID-MONTHLY PUBLIC AND PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT OF WAGE OR SALARY EARNERS.

(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No. 3)

Month		Number Available for Employment	Total Private Employment	Local Government Employees	Government Employees	Total Govern- ment and Private Employment	Relief Workers		Grand Total includ- ing Full-Time Equiv- alent of Relief Workers
							Total	Full-time Equivalent	
1938 -									
June	..	882,512	684,535	26,076	128,900	839,511	19,198	9,075	848,586
July	..	884,048	683,512	26,110	129,000	838,622	19,088	9,089	847,711
August	..	885,584	680,622	25,650	128,300	834,572	19,201	9,075	843,647
September	..	886,720	687,097	24,974	128,400	840,471	19,420	9,177	849,648
October	..	887,855	684,870	24,943	127,600	837,413	19,418	9,200	846,613
November	..	889,790	688,346	25,127	127,900	841,373	19,280	9,100	850,473
December	..	890,925	704,500	26,694	128,500	859,694	20,700	9,850	869,544
1939 -									
January	..	892,229	666,205	24,871	129,300	820,376	19,620	9,372	829,748
February	..	893,533	679,305	24,552	129,700	833,557	19,947	9,517	843,074
March	..	895,067	679,064	24,165	130,900	834,129	20,011	9,480	843,609
April	..	895,761	681,508	24,844	131,300	837,652	20,225	9,452	847,104
May	..	896,445	679,067	24,815	132,300	836,182	20,205	9,438	845,620
June	..	898,029	674,461	24,694	132,400	831,555	20,229	9,527	841,082
July	..	898,534	677,117	24,214	132,000	833,331	20,456	9,606	842,937
August	..	899,839	676,279	24,127	131,400	831,806	20,183	9,436	841,242
September	..	901,694	683,104	23,831	131,500	838,435	18,803	8,800	847,235
October	..	903,749	696,497	23,352	130,200	850,049	17,545	8,270	858,319
November	..	905,514	702,651	22,910	131,300	856,861	14,949	7,125	863,986
December	..	908,030	719,752	23,714	132,000	875,466	14,212	6,825	882,291
1940 -									
January	..	909,344	695,186	22,769	132,400	851,355	14,800	7,120	858,475
February	..	910,658	702,838	22,765	133,800	859,403	13,953	6,654	866,057
March	..	911,972	709,369	22,687	134,500	866,556	13,135	6,268	872,824
April	..	912,886	694,623	22,508	135,000	852,131	12,304	5,840	857,971
May	..								
June	..								

Note: Men enlisted in the armed forces are not in general counted as "employed".

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TABLE N.III. - MID-MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONS EMPLOYED BY PRIVATE EMPLOYERS WITH TEN OR MORE TAXABLE EMPLOYEES.

(The number of Employees here shown includes both taxable and non-taxable).

(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No. 3.)

Month		Number employed by employers with ten or more taxable employees in -												Total number of persons privately employed (All employers)
		Mines and Quarries		Retail Trade	Whole- sale Trade	Offices and Commerce	Total Trans- port	Fac- tories and Work- shops	Building and Con- tracting	Rural Indus- tries	Amuse- ments	Miscel- laneous	Total of Fore- going	
		Coal	Other											
1938 -														
June	..	15,575	7,623	51,921	25,212	26,297	21,053	190,243	9,623	9,607	6,498	21,605	385,257	684,535
July	..	15,714	7,699	53,112	25,169	26,166	20,152	189,095	10,113	10,129	6,023	21,451	384,823	683,512
August	..	15,492	7,757	51,323	25,320	26,303	19,463	189,553	9,955	10,529	6,072	21,566	383,333	680,622
September	..	14,298	7,757	50,989	25,515	27,176	21,752	190,146	10,322	11,241	5,917	21,811	386,924	687,097
October*	..	14,298	7,635	51,193	25,664	27,611	20,303	189,965	10,040	10,999	5,916	22,135	385,759	684,870
November	..	16,279	7,746	52,340	25,814	27,638	20,183	189,882	9,727	10,356	5,690	21,967	387,622	688,346
December	..	16,391	7,621	58,716	26,340	27,581	22,402	190,357	9,815	9,419	5,834	22,349	396,825	704,500
1939 -														
January	..	16,239	7,432	51,304	25,381	27,131	19,506	181,709	9,481	8,702	5,809	22,543	375,237	666,205
February	..	16,203	7,384	53,046	25,555	27,193	21,305	185,451	9,468	8,479	5,732	22,719	382,535	679,305
March	..	16,182	7,490	51,317	25,682	27,610	21,035	187,583	9,394	8,546	5,672	22,479	382,990	679,064
April	..	16,522	7,380	51,361	25,814	27,218	22,210	186,531	9,079	8,628	6,280	23,404	384,447	681,508
May	..	16,359	7,260	51,951	25,701	27,323	21,664	185,790	9,476	8,900	6,139	22,287	382,850	679,067
June	..	16,333	6,901	51,667	25,212	27,277	20,184	185,808	9,420	8,998	6,156	22,499	380,455	674,461
July	..	16,667	6,845	52,833	25,356	26,872	20,695	185,592	9,079	9,582	5,762	22,406	381,689	677,117
August	..	16,935	7,098	51,253	25,420	27,060	20,695	185,731	8,892	10,068	5,886	22,301	381,339	676,279
September	..	16,988	6,799	51,176	25,539	27,653	21,738	187,929	8,790	10,758	5,708	22,621	385,699	683,104
October	..	16,747	6,983	51,615	25,926	28,349	21,624	192,255	9,978	10,655	5,879	22,546	392,557	696,497
November	..	16,319	7,032	52,658	26,200	29,088	21,154	195,617	9,182	10,309	5,906	22,355	395,820	702,651
December	..	16,768	7,057	58,967	26,468	29,438	20,913	198,637	9,110	9,354	5,820	22,798	405,330	719,752
1940 -														
January	..	16,406	6,744	52,372	25,614	29,158	20,929	194,987	8,446	8,979	5,688	22,674	391,997	695,186
February	..	16,472	6,965	53,602	25,674	29,553	21,308	196,101	8,537	8,720	5,778	23,092	395,802	702,838
March	..	16,462	6,975	52,065	25,963	29,276	22,243	199,396	8,352	8,686	6,431	24,266	400,115	709,369
April	..	16,468	6,641	51,406	25,927	29,030	21,400	194,465	8,258	8,713	5,947	23,259	391,514	694,623
May	..													

* Approximately 11,800 coal miners on strike during October, 1938 and included in total. * Approximately 890 coal miners on strike during February and approximately 14,000 during March and April are included in total.

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TABLE N.IV

(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No.3)

**MID-MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONS EMPLOYED BY PRIVATE FACTORY AND WORKSHOP PROPRIETORS
WITH 10 OR MORE TAXABLE EMPLOYEES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.**

Factory-			Estimated Number of Employees July 1933	Number of Employees (Male and Female) at the pay nearest the middle of the month of:											
Class	Type	1938						1939							
		July		August	Sep- tember	Oct- ober	Nov- ember	Dec- ember	Jan- uary	Feb- ruary	March	April	May	June	
1	Non-Metal Mine Pro- ducts	1,828	3,036	3,079	2,879	2,771	2,938	2,948	2,846	2,891	2,932	2,852	2,891	2,906	
3	Chemicals etc. ..	5,085	6,722	6,681	6,766	6,896	6,952	7,083	6,950	7,106	7,144	7,215	7,136	7,149	
4	Industrial Metals ..	34,144	65,141	64,579	64,706	63,846	62,820	62,814	60,873	61,037	61,562	61,557	61,602	62,135	
6.	Textiles	8,094	11,837	11,734	11,808	11,908	11,981	12,040	11,567	11,972	12,012	12,045	11,983	12,115	
7	Skins and Leather ..	3,078	3,145	3,221	3,162	3,242	3,322	3,159	3,072	3,213	3,195	3,201	3,295	3,293	
8	Clothing	19,012	25,868	26,018	26,259	26,472	26,417	25,580	23,672	25,031	25,301	25,222	25,043	24,856	
9	Food and Drink ..	21,624	26,925	27,772	27,891	28,385	28,344	29,441	27,452	28,491	29,494	28,784	27,867	27,663	
10	Wood-working ..	4,170	7,105	7,152	7,191	7,175	7,225	7,251	7,074	7,067	7,069	6,864	6,948	6,904	
12	Paper Printing ..	10,659	14,640	14,643	14,829	14,814	14,960	14,858	14,449	14,640	14,714	14,744	14,772	14,728	
13	Rubber	1,946	3,742	3,811	3,787	3,716	3,803	3,811	3,448	3,623	3,648	3,657	3,643	3,593	
16	Heat, Light and Power	4,031	5,229	5,211	5,145	5,173	5,201	5,281	5,137	5,161	5,110	5,130	5,263	5,278	
2,5,) 11,14) and 15)	Other	8,275	15,705	15,652	15,723	15,567	15,919	16,091	15,169	15,219	15,402	15,260	15,347	15,188	
TOTAL:		121,946	189,095	189,553	190,146	189,965	189,882	190,357	181,700	185,451	187,583	186,531	185,790	185,808	

NOTE: The above figures include both taxable and non-taxable employees of Private Factories and Workshops with 10 or more taxable employees.

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TABLE N. IV.

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(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No.3)

MID-MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONS EMPLOYED BY PRIVATE FACTORY AND WORKSHOP PROPRIETORS
WITH 10 OR MORE TAXABLE EMPLOYEES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.

Factory		Number of Employees (Male and Female) at the pay nearest the middle of the month of:									
		1939						1940			
Class	Type	July	August	Sep- tember	Oct- ober	Nov- ember	Dec- ember	Jan- uary	Feb- ruary	March	April
1	Non-Metal Mine Products	2,869	2,847	2,827	2,728	2,761	2,746	2,698	2,743	2,751	2,643
3	Chemicals etc. ..	7,190	7,235	7,419	7,879	8,104	8,408	7,938	8,223	8,553	8,535
4	Industrial Metals ..	61,860	61,775	62,583	64,208	65,095	66,598	66,442	66,037	66,296	63,521
6	Textiles ..	11,953	12,020	11,957	12,616	13,071	13,232	13,221	13,523	13,628	13,716
7	Skins and Leather ..	3,326	3,245	3,397	3,533	3,766	3,839	3,813	3,945	3,928	3,922
8	Clothing ..	24,672	24,942	25,335	25,772	26,239	26,001	24,956	25,628	25,981	25,579
9	Food and Drink ..	27,814	27,957	28,548	29,212	29,711	30,137	29,565	29,574	31,052	29,966
10	Wood-working ..	6,854	6,786	6,721	6,931	6,963	7,103	6,779	6,748	6,811	6,739
12	Paper, Printing ..	14,775	14,813	14,729	14,782	15,134	15,415	15,010	15,057	15,153	15,114
13	Rubber ..	3,738	3,682	3,755	3,667	3,800	3,845	3,901	3,909	4,127	4,035
16	Heat, Light and Power	5,354	5,373	5,376	5,348	5,270	5,275	5,140	5,102	5,166	4,909
2, 5, 11, 14 and 15)	Other	15,187	15,056	15,282	15,579	15,703	16,038	15,524	15,612	15,950	15,786
	<u>TOTAL:</u>	185,592	185,731	187,929	192,255	195,617	198,637	194,987	196,101	199,396	194,465

NOTE: The above figures include both taxable and non-taxable employees of Private Factories and workshops with 10 or more taxable employees.

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TABLE N.IV.
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(See "Supplementary Notes", Issue No.3)

NUMBER OF PRIVATE FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS WITH 10 OR MORE TAXABLE EMPLOYEES FURNISHING RETURNS.

(NOTE: RETURNS INCLUDE BOTH THE TAXABLE AND NON-TAXABLE EMPLOYEES OF THE FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS FURNISHING RETURNS)

Factory-			July 1933	July 1938	December 1938	July 1939	December 1939
Class	Type						
1	Non-Metal Mine Products	..	43	47	45	45	45
3	Chemicals etc.	..	83	84	84	84	83
4	Industrial Metals	..	447	435	433	431	431
6	Textiles	..	56	53	52	54	53
7	Skins and Leather	..	65	64	63	63	65
8	Clothing	..	364	337	333	328	327
9	Food and Drink	..	318	304	300	298	297
10	Woodworking	..	149	147	146	144	147
12	Paper Printing	..	197	187	186	186	187
13	Rubber	..	10	9	9	9	9
16	Heat, Light and Power	..	18	17	17	17	17
2, 5, 11, 14, and E)	Other	..	187	188	186	186	186
TOTAL:			1,937	1,872	1,854	1,845	1,847

NOTE: The decrease in the number of Private Factories and Workshops furnishing returns is due principally to amalgamations and the closing down of a number of small factories.

TABLE N.V. - NUMBERS OF PERSONNEL OF COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES.
(Excludes Part-time Relief Workers).

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TABLE N.VI.

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**NUMBERS OF PERSONS EMPLOYED BY STATE AND COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENTS, SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL BODIES, AND
LOCAL GOVERNMENT, STATE AND SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES SHOWN UNDER (A) REVENUE AND
(B) LOAN EXPENDITURE. (EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS).**

Employing Body	Number of Females included in June 1939	1938					1939						
		August	Sep- tember	Oct- ober	Nov- ember	Dec- ember	Jan- uary	Feb- ruary	March	April	May	June	July
(A) REVENUE.													
GOVERNMENTAL:													
Railways	1,353	38,313	38,502	38,328	38,606	38,955	38,693	38,601	38,552	38,694	38,490	38,349	38,087
Road Transport and Tramways ..	241	10,592	10,565	10,581	10,563	10,506	10,611	10,539	10,561	10,529	10,523	10,514	10,498
Department of Main Roads ..	85	3,629	3,535	3,505	3,599	3,519	3,211	3,165	3,235	3,214	3,216	3,225	3,165
Police	14	3,813	3,817	3,813	3,813	3,818	3,811	3,830	3,855	3,850	3,842	3,855	3,948
Maritime Services Board ..	35	1,083	1,142	1,142	1,233	1,220	1,218	1,245	1,231	1,222	1,165	1,145	1,158
Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission	51	613	607	561	574	545	552	587	584	570	605	613	601
Public Service Board (excluding Education Department) ..	10,269	13,140	13,212	13,288	13,403	13,352	13,350	13,350	13,340	13,350	13,360	13,417	13,440
Education Department - Teachers, etc...		11,432	11,414	11,404	11,429	11,265	11,541	11,557	11,547	11,530	11,552	11,497	11,471
Education Department - Painting and Repair Staff ..		436	438	440	443	445	484	415	269	244	573	601	437
State Clothing Factory ..	145	174	171	174	181	186	184	187	192	190	191	187	183
Department of Works and Local Government	-	838	839	813	736	757	748	768	710	787	636	641	778
Mines Department ..	-	380	380	20	378	387	393	395	405	409	408	407	411
Education Department (Casuals) (c) ..	(a)											933	
Agricultural Department (c) ..	13											897	
Forestry Commission (c) ..	-											300	2,670
Chief Secretary's Department (c) ..	47	2,790	2,800	2,810	2,820	2,830	2,830	2,830	2,840	2,840	2,840	208	
Parliament House .. (c) ..	21											100	
Other Departments .. (c) ..	76											248	
(d) Total Governmental:	12,350	87,233	87,422	86,879	87,778	87,785	87,626	87,469	87,321	87,429	87,401	87,137	86,847
SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL:													
Metropolitan T.S. and D. Board ..	90	1,914	1,944	1,906	1,924	1,868	1,876	1,923	1,903	1,921	2,040	1,931	2,003
Hunter District Water Board ..	63	299	307	304	281	298	293	289	296	305	313	341	339
Board of Fire Commissioners ..	37	932	944	948	951	953	952	955	955	955	954	953	950
Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner	33	1,545	1,699	1,888	1,723	1,828	1,683	1,700	1,681	1,520	1,531	1,729	1,742
Rural Bank of New South Wales ..	275	1,056	1,055	1,054	1,057	1,054	1,061	1,079	1,079	1,085	1,088	1,098	1,102
Broken Hill Water Board (e) ..	5											46	45
(d) Total Semi-Governmental:	503	5,746	5,949	6,100	5,936	6,001	5,865	5,946	5,914	5,786	5,926	6,098	6,181
(d) TOTAL REVENUE:	12,853	92,979	93,371	92,979	93,714	93,786	93,491	93,415	93,235	93,215	93,327	93,235	93,028

(a) Females included in Education Department. (b) Employees not under jurisdiction of Public Service Board. (c) Information collected as at 30th June each year. Estimated for remainder of year. (d) Includes a small number of loan works employees in certain cases.

(e) Included in Department of Works and Local Government.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT, STATE AND SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES SHOWN UNDER (A) REVENUE AND
(B) LOAN EXPENDITURE. (EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS).**

Employing Body	Number of Females included in June 1939	1938					1939						
		August	Sep- tember	Oct- ober	Nov- ember	Dec- ember	Jan- uary	Feb- ruary	March	April	May	June	July
(B) <u>LOAN (Directly employed only)</u>													
<u>GOVERNMENTAL</u> (Principal Departments only)													
Railways	-	5,230	5,121	4,871	4,956	4,960	4,828	4,895	5,248	5,302	5,618	5,332	5,320
Maritime Services Board ..	-	144	141	99	12	25	38	35	60	65	120	154	143
Department of Works and Local Gov- ernment	-	1,286	1,208	1,216	1,245	1,309	1,340	1,389	1,318	1,281	1,413	1,366	1,436
Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission	-	844	757	745	750	780	727	767	749	762	818	981	1,077
Total Governmental:	-	7,504	7,227	6,931	6,963	7,074	6,933	7,086	7,375	7,410	7,969	7,833	7,976
<u>SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL:</u>													
Metropolitan W. S. and D. Board	-	4,987	4,867	5,153	4,153	4,192	4,239	4,281	4,761	5,031	5,351	5,314	4,976
Hunter District Water Board ..	-	136	133	141	184	188	894	853	1,043	1,178	1,198	1,404	1,635
Total Semi-Governmental:	-	5,123	5,000	4,294	4,337	4,380	5,133	5,134	5,804	6,209	6,549	6,718	6,611
<u>TOTAL LOAN (Principal Bodies only):</u>	-	12,627	12,227	11,225	11,300	11,454	12,066	12,220	13,179	13,619	14,518	14,551	14,587
(f) Part Time Workers - Cleaners and Others normally employed for less than a full working day													
Prince Henry Hospital ..	1,212	1,870	1,880	1,890	1,900	1,910	1,910	1,910	1,910	1,920	1,920	2,056	2,060
Prince Henry Hospital ..	480	617	617	626	606	610	615	622	631	639	639	632	638
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u> (State and Semi-Goverr- mental, excluding Relief Workers)													
	14,545	108,093	108,095	106,720	107,520	107,760	108,082	108,167	108,955	109,393	110,404	110,474	110,313

(f) Information collected as at 30th June each year - estimated for remainder of year.

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AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT, STATE AND SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES SHOWN UNDER (A) REVENUE
(B) LOAN EXPENDITURE. (EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS).

Commonwealth Employees in New South Wales. (Revenue and Loan)	Number of Females included in June 1939	1938					1939						
		August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
Defence Department (Civil Staff Other than those under Public Service Board)	31	130	119	134	132	153	128	215	179	163	165	2,720	2,664
Garden Island ..		1,309	1,311	1,462	1,532	1,551	1,630	1,761	1,828	1,901	2,037		
Small Arms Factory ..		388	385	378	378	379	379	405	460	475	495		
Commonwealth Public Service Board - Post Office ..	2,360	12,955	12,966	12,966	12,966	13,291	13,291	13,291	13,268	13,268	13,268	15,609	15,729
Other (Partly estimated) ..		2,111	2,146	2,178	2,259	2,165	2,210	2,261	2,239	2,234	2,264		
Other - Commonwealth Bank ..	618	3,019	3,031	3,035	3,038	3,052	3,055	3,096	3,117	3,137	3,155	3,159	3,150
Department of Repatriation ..	216	800	810	810	820	820	830	830	830	830	830	572	66
War Service Homes Commission ..	13												
Australian Broadcasting Commission. (Information collected as at 30th June; estimated for remainder of year) ..	110												
Commonwealth Employees - Full time	3,348	20,712	20,768	20,963	21,125	21,411	21,523	21,859	21,921	22,008	22,214	22,353	22,408
Commonwealth Employees - Part time (Information collected as at 30th June; estimated for remainder of Year ..	148	230	240	240	240	240	250	250	250	260	260	244	250
Total Commonwealth Employees ..	3,496	20,942	21,008	21,203	21,365	21,651	21,773	22,109	22,171	22,268	22,474	22,597	22,658
GRAND TOTAL (State, Commonwealth and Semi-Governmental - Excluding Relief Workers) ..	18,041	129,035	129,103	127,923	128,885	129,411	129,855	130,276	131,126	131,661	132,878	133,071	132,971
Employees of Contractors on Construction Work. (State Government only)	-	1,674	1,750	1,820	1,810	1,854	2,050	2,286	2,364	2,211	2,131	2,475	2,366
Local Government Employees (excluding relief workers and employees of private contractors. Partly estimated) ..	-	25,650	24,974	24,943	25,127	26,694	24,871	24,522	24,165	24,844	24,815	24,694	24,214

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Employing Body	1939					1940					
	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
(A) REVENUE											
<u>GOVERNMENTAL:</u>											
Railways ..	37,763	37,958	37,615	37,694	37,941	37,880	38,022	37,882	37,733		
Road Transport and Tramways ..	10,483	10,457	10,473	10,514	10,606	10,615	10,586	10,648	10,684		
Department of Main Roads ..	3,155	3,308	3,644	4,145	3,832	4,053	4,075	d) 3,867	3,917		
Police ..	3,933	3,988	3,982	3,925	3,920	3,914	3,910	3,902	3,899		
Maritime Services Board ..	1,161	1,187	1,206	1,175	1,195	1,225	1,226	1,233	1,163		
Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission ..	488	516	628	607	611	584	576	574	607		
Public Service Board (excluding Education Department) ..	13,470	13,494	13,500	13,583	13,563	13,563	13,600	13,580			
Education Department - Teachers, etc. ..	11,448	11,466	11,507	11,499	11,445	11,549	11,605	11,582	25,326(e)		
Education Department - Painting and Repair Staff ..	395	317	285	230	206	225	243	215	235		
State Clothing Factory ..	186	197	193	195	197	196	197	198	198		
Department of Works and Local Government ..	629	654	658	653	655	686	719	725	698		
Mines Department ..	414	422	406	426	426	416	415	415	415		
Education Department (Casuals) (b) ..											
Agricultural Department .. (b)											
Forestry Commission .. (b)											
Chief Secretary's Department .. (b)	2,670	2,680	2,680	2,680	2,680	2,680	2,680	2,680	2,680		
Parliament House .. (b)											
Other Departments .. (b)											
(c) Total Governmental:	86,195	86,644	86,777	87,326	87,277	87,586	87,754	87,501	87,555		
<u>SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL:</u>											
Metropolitan W. S. and D. Board ..	1,964	1,986	1,905	1,926	1,971	1,916	1,928	1,931	1,906		
Hunter District Water Board ..	338	381	381	362	351	356	381	364	383		
Board of Fire Commissioners ..	954	954	969	968	968	961	961	959	958		
Metropolitan Meat Industry Commission ..	1,859	1,922	2,045	2,045	1,973	1,830	1,659	1,696	1,632		
Rural Bank of New South Wales ..	1,109	1,112	1,116	1,119	1,137	1,144	1,150	1,150	1,165		
Broken Hill Water Board ..	43	50	54	50	46	47	53	55	55		
(c) Total Semi-Governmental:	6,267	6,405	6,470	6,470	6,446	6,254	6,132	6,155	6,099		
(c) TOTAL REVENUE:	92,462	93,049	93,247	93,796	93,723	93,840	93,886	93,656	93,654		

(a) Employees not under jurisdiction of Public Service Board. (b) Information collected as at 30th June each year. Estimated for remainder of year. (c) Includes a small number of loan work employees in certain cases. (d) This item now split between (A) Revenue and (B) Loan. (e) Public Service Board (including Education Department - Teachers, etc.).

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT, STATE AND SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES SHOWN UNDER
(A) REVENUE AND (B) LOAN EXPENDITURE. (EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS).

Employing Body	1939					1940					
	August	Sept- ember	Oct- ober	Nov- ember	Dec- ember	Jan- uary	Feb- ruary	March	April	May	June
<u>(B) LOAN (Directly employed only)</u>											
<u>GOVERNMENTAL (Principal Departments only)</u>											
Railways ..	5,124	5,001	4,397	4,295	3,836	3,719	3,747	(i)3,440	3,745		
Department of Main Roads (g) ..	(f)	(f)	(f)	(f)	(f)	(f)	(f)	256	248		
Maritime Services Board ..	147	116	86	107	85	57	60	91	148		
Department of Works and Local Government ..	1,440	1,440	1,065	969	838	847	894	702	749		
Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission	1,330	1,326	1,156	937	883	996	1,078	1,045	1,064		
Total Governmental:	8,041	7,883	6,704	6,308	5,642	5,619	5,779	5,534	5,954		
<u>SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL:</u>											
Metropolitan W. S. and D. Board ..	4,702	3,773	3,246	3,160	3,148	3,080	3,018	3,011	3,029		
Hunter District Water Board ..	1,635	1,618	1,548	1,584	1,598	1,544	1,614	1,643	1,613		
Total Semi-Governmental:	6,337	5,391	4,744	4,794	4,746	4,624	4,632	4,654	4,642		
<u>TOTAL LOAN (Principal Bodies only):</u>	<u>14,378</u>	<u>13,274</u>	<u>11,498</u>	<u>11,052</u>	<u>10,388</u>	<u>10,243</u>	<u>10,411</u>	<u>10,188</u>	<u>10,596</u>		
<u>Commonwealth Defence Works under supervision of:</u>											
Works and Local Government Department ..	-	-	-	1,125	1,127	1,474	1,652	1,942	1,679		
Department of Main Roads ..	-	-	-	40	881	1,373	1,591	1,658	1,636		
(h) Railways (h) ..	-	-	-	(f)	(f)	(f)	(f)	307	248		
(e) Part Time Workers - Cleaners and Others normally employed for less than a full working day ..	2,060	2,060	2,080	2,080	2,080	2,080	2,080	2,080	2,080		
Prince Henry Hospital ..	635	640	641	648	644	646	648	665	648		
<u>GRAND TOTAL (State and Semi-Governmental, excluding Relief Workers)</u> ..	<u>109,535</u>	<u>109,023</u>	<u>107,466</u>	<u>108,741</u>	<u>108,843</u>	<u>109,656</u>	<u>110,268</u>	<u>110,496</u>	<u>110,541</u>		

(e) Total number. Information collected as at 30th June. Estimated for remainder of year. (f) Not available. (g) Included in (A) "Revenue" in Issue No. 1. (h) Included in (B) "Loan" in Issue No. 1. (i) See (h).

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Commonwealth Employees in New South Wales. (Revenue and Loan)	1939					1940					
	August	Sep-tember	Oct-ober	Nov-ember	Dec-ember	Jan-uary	Feb-ruary	March	April	May	June
Defence Department - (Civil Staff. Includes Garden Island and Small Arms Factory. Partly estimated)	2,775	3,351	3,603	3,710	3,800	3,350	3,670	3,958	3,938		
Commonwealth Public Service Board (Partly estimated)	15,775	15,971	16,190	16,048	16,164	16,401	16,545	16,646	17,213		
Other -											
Commonwealth Bank ..	3,163	3,171	3,179	3,189	3,219	3,249	3,265	3,304	3,333		
Department of Repatriation ..)											
War Service Homes Commission .)											
Australian Broadcasting Commission (Information collected as at 30th June; estimated for remainder of year) ..)	865	870	880	890	890	890	890	890	895		
Commonwealth Employees - Full time (j) ..	22,578	23,343	23,752	23,837	24,073	23,890	24,370	24,798	25,379		
Commonwealth Employees - Part time (Information collected as at 30th June; estimated for remainder of year) ..	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250		
Total Commonwealth Employees ..	22,828	23,593	24,002	24,087	24,323	24,140	24,620	25,048	25,629		
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u> (State, Commonwealth and Semi-Governmental - Excluding Relief Workers) ..	132,363	132,616	131,468	132,828	133,166	133,796	134,888	134,183(m)	134,761(m)		
Employees of Contractors on Construction Work (State Government only) (k) ..	2,203	1,920	1,830	1,854	1,625	1,624	1,611	1,701	1,648		
Local Government Employees (excluding relief workers and employees of private contractors. Partly estimated) ..	24,127	23,831	23,352	22,910	23,714	22,769	22,765	22,687	22,508		

(j) For employees on Commonwealth Defence Works for which the New South Wales Departments of Works and Main Roads were agents see under (B) Loan on State Employees Sheet. (k) Subject to Revision. (m) Excluding 1,361 Commonwealth and State employees on war service for March, and 1,409 for April. As the number on Defence Service are excluded from the total number of employees in the returns of certain departments, these two figures do not represent the total number of employees absent on Defence Service; they represent the number absent on Defence Service who are included in the total number of employees.

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TABLE N.VII. - STATE LABOUR EXCHANGES - PERSONS REGISTERED AT END OF MONTH.
(Relief Workers Included).

Date	Adult Males								Total Registrations less Full-time equivalent of Relief Workers
	Metro-politan	Broken Hill	Lithgow	Maitland	Newcastle	Wollongong	Rest of State	Total	
<u>1938 -</u>									
July ..	28,277	579	1,007	3,662	3,941	712	11,150	49,328	40,239
August ..	28,676	517	987	3,584	4,055	688	10,887	49,394	40,319
September ..	27,691	582	948	3,709	4,303	693	10,588	48,514	39,337
October ..	27,624	606	922	3,736	4,523	824	10,112	48,347	39,147
November ..	27,862	643	903	3,468	4,456	837	9,178	47,347	38,247
December ..	27,423	660	910	3,397	4,309	720	9,831	47,250	37,400
<u>1939 -</u>									
January ..	28,523	702	981	3,113	4,190	1,222	12,112	50,843	41,471
February ..	28,228	648	919	3,030	3,971	1,011	12,292	50,099	40,582
March ..	28,352	758	936	3,109	3,818	1,016	11,862	49,851	40,371
April ..	27,614	781	951	3,060	3,795	1,048	11,680	48,929	39,477
May ..	28,083	750	937	2,941	3,954	1,241	12,237	50,143	40,705
June ..	28,647	717	851	2,776	3,790	1,131	13,013	50,925	41,398
July ..	29,505	773	846	2,731	3,710	1,116	13,426	52,107	42,501
August ..	30,392	778	823	2,660	3,612	1,168	13,418	52,851	43,415
September ..	30,430	732	774	2,770	3,617	1,076	12,908	52,307	43,507
October ..	29,975	822	782	2,610	3,761	1,062	12,314	51,326	43,056
November ..	27,511	804	719	2,426	3,617	845	11,633	47,555	40,430
December ..	26,534	777	685	2,277	3,448	721	11,019	45,461	38,636
<u>1940 -</u>									
January ..	26,900	809	688	2,415	3,561	747	12,292	47,412	40,292
February ..	26,073	714	674	2,309	3,447	820	12,378	46,415	39,761
March ..	25,918	730	(a)	2,515	3,214	929	12,375	45,681	39,413
April ..	27,053	875	637	2,423	6,096	1,831	11,898	50,813	44,973

(a) Not available.

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TABLE V.I.

ESTIMATED TOTAL WAGE OR SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT.
Including Part-time Relief Workers in Actual Employment.
 (See "Supplementary Notes", Table A.I. Issue No. 3.)

Period	Governmental (Commonwealth, State and Local)	Factories (excepting Working Proprietors)	Retail Shops	Mines	Rural (Permanent paid Employees)(a)	Total of Foregoing	Balance	Total Wage Earners in Employment
1933 - 30th June	80,797	137,087	38,625	(4,000)	29,585	290,094	186,404	476,498
Average for year -								
1933-34 ..	80,709	148,755	39,922	3,931	27,534	300,851	193,226	494,077
1934-35 ..	82,284	161,682	41,495	4,356	27,627	317,444	201,741	519,185
1935-36 ..	87,259	175,350	42,435	4,473	27,244	336,761	212,115	548,876
1936-37 ..	90,003	182,948	44,397	4,357	27,536	349,241	218,633	567,874
1937-38 ..	92,605	193,548	47,139	3,967	27,546	364,805	227,079	591,884
1938-39 ..	97,177	193,854	48,800	4,044	27,355(c)	371,230	230,543	601,773
1939-40 - Month -								
July ..	102,025	182,176	47,426	4,047(b)	27,355(b)	363,029	226,197	589,226
August ..	100,777	183,409	47,082			362,670	226,007	588,677
September ..	101,050	185,907	47,082			365,441	227,475	592,916
October ..	104,143	193,712	48,457			377,714	233,977	611,691
November ..	105,899	197,718	50,519			385,538	238,121	623,659
December ..	105,754	196,488	56,705			390,349	240,670	631,019
January ..	105,224	202,147	49,488			388,261	239,564	627,825
February ..	106,860	204,769	47,769			390,800	240,909	631,709
March ..	107,513	205,509	48,111			392,535	241,828	634,363
April (a) ..	107,958	207,460	49,487			396,307	243,826	640,133
May ..								
June ..								

(a) Estimated. (b) Mining and Rural employment not available monthly. These approximate figures are inserted to enable a total, continuous with previous years, to be provided. (c) Subject to revision.

NOTE: Men enlisted in the armed forces are not in general counted as "employed".

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TABLE V.II.

**NUMBER OF PERSONNEL OF COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL AND LOCAL
GOVERNMENT BODIES. (EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS)**

Month	Commonwealth			State			Semi-Governmental			Local Government			Total			Employees of Contractors on Construction Work		
	Males	Fe- males	Per- sons	Males	Fe- males	Per- sons	Males	Fe- males	Per- sons	Males	Fe- males	Per- sons	Males	Fe- males	Per- sons	Males	Fe- males	Per- sons
1938 -																		
June ..	13,948	3,819	17,767	66,692	11,849	78,541	488	19	507	11,891	499	12,390	93,019	16,186	109,205	4,645	606	5,251
July ..	13,936	3,840	17,776	66,055	11,945	78,000	506	18	524	11,988	502	12,490	92,485	16,305	108,790	3,985	600	4,585
August ..	13,994	3,860	17,854	64,743	11,963	76,706	504	18	522	11,776	502	12,278	91,017	16,343	107,360	3,568	600	4,168
September ..	14,033	3,858	17,891	64,501	11,983	76,484	504	18	522	11,781	508	12,289	90,819	16,367	107,186	3,592	600	4,192
October ..	14,327	3,884	18,211	66,145	11,964	78,109	538	18	556	11,819	507	12,326	92,829	16,373	109,202	3,877	600	4,477
November ..	14,484	3,945	18,429	65,581	11,991	77,572	497	18	515	11,906	516	12,422	92,468	16,470	108,938	3,814	600	4,414
December ..	14,727	4,025	18,752	65,671	12,025	77,696	496	18	514	12,060	538	12,598	92,954	16,606	109,560	3,759	600	4,359
1939 -																		
January ..	14,761	3,932	18,693	64,619	12,191	76,810	658	18	676	11,656	542	12,198	91,694	16,683	108,377	3,784	600	4,384
February ..	15,292	3,986	19,278	67,100	12,168	79,268	719	18	737	11,978	545	12,523	95,089	16,717	111,806	4,200	600	4,800
March ..	15,798	4,023	19,815	67,262	12,345	79,607	708	19	727	12,072	551	12,623	95,834	16,938	112,772	4,585	600	5,185
April ..	16,216	4,239	20,455	68,811	12,474	81,285	736	19	755	11,940	529	12,469	97,703	17,261	114,964	4,410	600	5,010
May ..	16,678	4,445	21,123	69,865	12,453	82,318	765	19	784	12,248	528	12,776	99,556	17,445	117,001	4,774	600	5,374
June ..	16,855	4,566	21,421	69,793	12,543	82,336	775	19	794	12,486	534	13,020	99,909	17,662	117,571	4,956	600	5,556
July ..	17,219	4,098	21,317	69,014	12,499	81,513	787	19	806	12,035	543	12,578	99,055	17,159	116,214	4,079	600	4,679
August ..	17,260	4,108	21,368	67,629	12,543	80,172	776	19	795	11,953	537	12,490	97,618	17,207	114,825	4,379	600	4,979
September ..	17,377	4,127	21,504	67,536	12,566	80,102	723	19	742	11,961	565	12,526	97,597	17,277	114,874	4,268	600	4,868
October ..	18,672	4,496	23,168	68,743	12,545	81,288	822	28	850	12,193	568	12,761	100,430	17,637	118,067	4,172	600	4,772
November ..	19,352	4,702	24,054	69,367	12,583	81,950	797	31	828	12,498	593	13,091	102,014	17,909	119,923	4,289	600	4,889
December ..	19,831	4,981	24,812	68,914	12,554	81,468	759	31	790	12,300	588	12,888	101,804	18,154	119,958	4,720	600	5,320
1940 -																		
January ..	20,123	5,174	25,297	68,442	12,485	80,927	675	24	699	11,632	586	12,218	100,872	18,269	119,141	3,907	601	4,508(c)
February ..	20,670	5,461	26,131	69,601	12,555	82,156	697	25	722	11,728	591	12,319	102,696	18,632	121,328	4,339	601	4,940(c)
March ..	20,958	5,729	26,687	69,734	12,605	82,339	703	25	728	11,854	595	12,449	103,249	18,954	122,203	4,663	601	5,264(c)
April (a) ..	21,374	5,758	27,132	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Not available.

(c) Excludes Commonwealth figures which are not yet available.

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TABLE V.III.

NUMBER OF MEN REGISTERED AS UNEMPLOYED AT END OF MONTH.
(Employment Council Figures)

Month	Metropolitan	Ballarat	Bendigo	Geelong	Mildura	Warrnambool	Wonthaggi	Rest of State	Total
1939 -									
July ..	11,736	968	641	1,130	269	102	60	6,233	21,139
August ..	12,083	1,103	693	1,138	298	98	75	6,450	21,938
September ..	11,692	1,056	676	1,083	238	83	72	5,803	20,703
October ..	9,789	1,028	651	961	227	125	61	4,926	17,768
November ..	8,230	999	575	931	(a)	120	61	4,030	14,946
December ..	7,904	942	553	887	(a)	114	47	3,295	13,742
1940 -									
January ..	6,776	876	546	876	188	100	50	3,117	12,529
February ..	6,048	772	538	869	(b)	107	51	3,192	11,577
March ..	5,860	711	476	841	36	120	51	3,014	11,109
April ..	5,863	691	506	693	273	84	53	3,282	11,467

(a) Figures not available.

(b) Register closed during fruit picking.

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TABLE V.IV. UNEMPLOYED REGISTRATIONS ON LIVE REGISTER OF STATE LABOUR EXCHANGE AT END
OF MONTH CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO GENERAL NATURE OF TRADE OR OCCUPATION.

METROPOLITAN AREA ONLY.

General Nature of Trade or Occupation	Males										
	July 1938	1939						1940			
		July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
1. Wood, furniture, saw-mill, Timber works etc. ..	292	343	346	353	310	268	260	240	203	193	190
2. Engineering, Metal Works etc. (a) ..	578	669	725	719	635	540	489	421	380	334	333
3. Food, Drink, Tobacco ..	513	540	546	541	459	428	414	367	342	316	297
4. Clothing, Hats, Boots etc.	587	726	737	723	582	498	479	457	411	371	344
5. Books, Printing, Binding ..	75	79	83	90	80	73	74	74	75	73	72
6. Other Manufacturing ..	343	455	462	432	350	315	297	276	220	223	217
7. Building	677	730	761	798	676	573	560	474	354	328	311
8. Mining	354	366	364	362	253	196	138	110	87	115	98
9. Rail and Tramway Services (b)	56	69	67	69	72	58	52	50	79	76	34
10. Other Land Transport ..	770	929	929	927	781	661	613	542	415	381	420
11. Shipping, Wharf Labour ..	126	123	120	121	102	87	80	72	59	58	74
12. Agricultural, Pastoral, Rural etc.	268	324	324	316	270	234	227	207	183	191	187
13. Domestic, Hotels etc. ..	283	261	276	258	222	198	191	163	154	148	149
14. General Labourers and Miscellaneous (c) ..	5,921	6,110	6,199	5,977	5,012	4,311	4,001	3,540	3,230	3,086	3,127
<u>TOTAL:</u>	10,843	11,724	11,939	11,686	9,804	8,440	7,875	6,993	6,192	5,893	5,853

(a) Including railway and tramway workshops.

(b) Excluding railway and tramway workshops.

(c) Excluding railway and tramway employees and labourers employed
on railway and tramway construction and maintenance.

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TABLE Q.I. - EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT.

(See "Supplementary Notes". Table A.I.
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The following table, compiled by the Queensland Bureau of Industry from census results, unemployed insurance contributions, workers' compensation records, and shop and factory returns, replaces that published in the Monthly Review of Business Statistics prior to November, 1939. The table gives a comprehensive statement of all persons in work (other than relief work) in Queensland, whether as employees, employers, or independent workers. A full percentage of unemployment, covering the whole working population, is also shown; this percentage can be defined as the ratio of the number of persons seeking and capable of work and not in work, to the total of the working population.

NUMBERS IN WORK AND PERCENTAGE OF UNEMPLOYMENT.

Period		Numbers in Work				Per-centage of Unem-employment
		Employers and Workers on own Account	Employees	Working for No Wages	Total	
Average -						
1926-27	..	83,000	212,900	8,900	304,800	9.4
1927-28	..	84,600	212,400	9,000	306,000	10.1
1928-29	..	86,300	204,400	9,100	299,800	13.0
1929-30	..	88,000	202,800	9,200	300,000	13.6
1930-31	..	89,700	190,000	9,300	289,000	17.7
1931-32	..	91,400	181,300	9,400	282,100	20.3
1932-33	..	93,100	184,600	9,400	287,100	19.4
1933-34	..	94,700	194,700	9,600	299,000	17.3
1934-35	..	96,800	214,500	9,700	321,000	13.0
1935-36	..	98,900	223,500	9,900	332,300	11.7
1936-37	..	100,900	234,500	10,100	345,500	10.0
1937-38	..	103,000	245,800	10,300	359,100	8.3
1938-39	..	105,100	257,700	10,500	373,300	6.3
Three Months Ended -						
July,	1939	106,100	265,800	10,500	382,400	4.7
August,	"	106,200	263,500	10,600	380,300	5.3
September	"	106,400	260,500	10,600	377,500	6.1
October	"	106,600	259,400	10,600	376,600	6.5
November	"	106,800	259,800	10,600	377,200	6.4
December	"	106,900	259,000	10,600	376,500	6.7
January,	1940	107,100	263,300	10,600	381,000	5.8
February	"	107,300	266,900	10,600	384,800	5.0
March	"	107,500	266,500	10,600	384,600	5.1
April	"	107,600	265,400	10,600	383,600	5.5

NOTES.

1. The statistics of working population compiled from census data have been adjusted.
2. Persons sick and those working for no wages as well as those incapable of or unwilling to accept manual employment of the type available have been excluded from the unemployed.
3. The figures shown for the three-monthly periods have been corrected for seasonal variation.

TABLE 9.11.

NUMBERS OF PERSONNEL OF COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES. (EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS).

Month	Commonwealth			State			Semi-Governmental			Local Government			Total			Private Contract
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males
1938 -																
June	5,140	1,258	6,398	31,541	5,242	36,783	296	9	305	12,501	403	12,904	49,478	6,912	56,390	635
July	5,168	1,249	6,417	31,206	5,213	36,419	577	11	588	12,319	377	12,696	49,270	6,850	56,120	1,587
August	5,125	1,253	6,378	31,139	5,236	36,375	587	11	598	12,048	389	12,437	48,899	6,889	55,788	1,698
September	5,196	1,271	6,467	31,940	5,247	37,187	554	11	565	12,488	385	12,873	50,178	6,914	57,092	1,672
October	5,155	1,279	6,434	31,111	5,252	36,363	565	11	576	13,272	389	13,661	50,103	6,931	57,034	1,604
November	5,133	1,280	6,413	31,859	5,254	37,113	629	12	641	14,027	380	14,407	51,648	6,926	58,574	1,517
December	5,227	1,266	6,493	32,099	5,237	37,336	595	11	606	14,393	397	14,790	52,314	6,911	59,225	1,201
1939 -																
January	5,237	1,250	6,487	32,027	5,254	37,281	609	10	619	13,559	388	13,947	51,432	6,902	58,334	1,336
February	5,289	1,247	6,536	32,727	5,198	37,925	562	11	573	14,278	404	14,682	52,856	6,860	59,716	1,231
March	5,387	1,232	6,619	33,083	5,202	38,285	722	11	733	14,704	395	15,099	53,896	6,840	60,736	1,137
April	5,382	1,243	6,625	33,200	5,226	38,426	674	12	686	15,231	411	15,642	54,487	6,892	61,379	1,123
May	5,496	1,256	6,752	33,439	5,221	38,660	714	11	725	15,591	405	15,996	55,240	6,893	62,133	1,160
June	5,573	1,252	6,825	33,291	5,210	38,501	733	9	742	15,598	403	16,001	55,195	6,874	62,069	1,202
July	5,583	1,254	6,837	33,079	5,222	38,301	647	12	659	15,396	408	15,804	54,705	6,896	61,601	1,326
August	5,585	1,260	6,845	33,547	5,043	38,590	654	12	666	14,779	410	15,189	54,565	6,725	61,290	1,172
September	5,589	1,285	6,874	32,870	5,219	38,089	636	12	648	14,432	418	14,850	53,527	6,934	60,461	1,180
October	5,661	1,276	6,937	32,747	5,211	37,958	651	11	662	12,744	416	13,160	51,803	6,914	58,717	1,121
November	5,712	1,271	6,983	32,733	5,215	37,948	679	11	690	11,709	422	12,131	50,833	6,919	57,752	1,311
December	5,860	1,347	7,207	32,650	5,201	37,851	610	11	621	12,117	422	12,539	51,237	6,981	58,218	1,531
1940 -																
January	5,932	1,363	7,295	32,858	5,139	37,997	436	13	449	11,145	424	11,569	50,371	6,939	57,310	1,348
February	5,871	1,381	7,252	32,831	5,167	37,998	477	11	488	11,858	424	12,282	51,037	6,983	58,020	1,568
March	6,021	1,390	7,411	33,061	5,200	38,261	546	11	557	12,267	434	12,701	51,895	7,035	58,930	1,590
April	6,083	1,392	7,475	32,316	5,191	37,507	542	11	553	12,788	436	13,224	51,729	7,030	58,759	1,720
May																
June																

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TABLE Q.III.

NUMBERS OF PERSONS REGISTERED AS UNEMPLOYED.

(Persons on Live Register. State Labour Exchanges at beginning of Month).

Month	Brisbane	Ipswich	Rockhampton	Townsville	Rest of State	Total		
						Males	Females	Persons
1939 -								
July ..	9,278	1,000	1,068	1,026	12,295	23,173	1,494	24,667
August (a) ..	-	-	-	-	-	21,550	1,487	23,037
September ..	9,638	963	1,135	1,403	9,267	21,010	1,396	22,406
October (a) ..	-	-	-	-	-	21,841	1,383	23,224
November (a) ..	-	-	-	-	-	22,782	1,327	24,109
December ..	10,352	816	1,412	2,168	10,916	24,344	1,320	25,664
1940 -								
January (a) ..	-	-	-	-	-	29,770	1,253	31,023
February ..	9,332	817	1,475	1,997	22,180	34,181	1,620	35,801
March (a) ..	-	-	-	-	-	33,238	1,626	34,864
April (a) ..	-	-	-	-	-	31,096	1,639	32,735
May ..	8,773	858	595	1,548	17,677	27,645	1,806	29,451

(a) Registrations by localities not yet available.

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TABLE Q.IV.

PERSONS REGISTERED AS UNEMPLOYED IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

(Persons on Live Register, State Labour Exchanges at end of Month)

Trade or Calling	July 1938	1939						1940			
		July	August	Septem- ber	Octo- ber	Novem- ber	Decem- ber	Jan- uary	Feb- ruary	March	April
Agricultural and Pastoral ..	2,271	1,476	1,019	1,210	1,613	2,312	3,676	4,900	4,986	4,304	3,572
Building trades (all classes) ..	1,642	1,493	1,764	1,704	1,577	1,437	1,500	1,628	1,579	1,513	1,338
Clerical and Professional ..	625	522	515	505	491	452	494	586	558	509	430
Clothing Manufacturing, Boots and Wearing Apparel	148	128	118	122	86	93	111	120	108	90	102
Domestic ..	87	93	89	85	69	69	73	74	71	54	65
Engine Driving ..	194	182	161	131	136	217	379	505	453	386	305
Engineering (all classes) ..	533	591	560	592	603	401	543	604	470	450	466
Food and Drink ..	452	349	312	320	308	343	324	369	311	283	376
Hygiene and Safety (Ambulance, Hospital, etc.) ..	55	34	21	26	29	33	30	28	33	30	36
Labouring - (all classes) ..	20,624	13,835	13,754	14,319	14,997	15,639	18,828	21,691	21,358	20,801	18,741
Manufacturing N.E.I. ..	179	131	127	143	124	115	124	150	133	153	151
Meat Industry (retail and export, also Bacon Factories) ..	501	457	512	540	567	1,128	1,409	1,253	1,162	654	342
Mining - Coal ..	67	54	47	47	42	15	14	20	23	19	22
Mining - Metalliferous ..	751	422	419	392	568	613	639	613	468	361	289
Miscellaneous ..	185	197	203	248	223	183	202	197	163	166	186
Printing, including Newspapers ..	126	80	105	104	95	88	71	93	81	123	114
Shop Assistants ..	548	426	334	390	355	341	333	373	334	316	310
Storemen and Packers ..	216	275	209	180	124	111	119	147	145	140	122
Transportation (carrying etc.) ..	799	805	741	783	775	764	821	830	802	744	678
<u>TOTAL:</u>	30,003	21,550	21,010	21,841	22,782	24,344	29,770	34,181	33,238	31,096	27,645
<u>Male:</u>	1,469	1,487	1,396	1,383	1,327	1,320	1,253	1,620	1,626	1,639	1,806
<u>Female:</u>											
<u>GRAND TOTAL:</u>	31,472	23,037	22,406	23,224	24,109	25,664	31,023	35,801	34,864	32,735	29,451

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TABLE S.I.

ESTIMATED TOTAL WAGE OR SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT.
Including Part-time Relief Workers in Actual Employment.
 (See "Supplementary Notes", Table A.I. Issue No. 3.)

Period	Governmental (Commonwealth, State and Local)	Factories (excepting Working Proprietors)	Retail Shops	Mines	Rural (Permanent paid Employees)(a)	Total of Foregoing	Balance	Total Wage Earners in Employment
1933 - 30th June	25,725	25,074	15,944	(531)	8,440	75,714	60,396	136,110
Average for year -								
1933-34 ..	26,066	28,144	16,433	558	8,730	79,931	62,911	142,842
1934-35 ..	26,573	32,109	17,267	1,175	8,914	86,038	66,334	152,372
1935-36 ..	27,769	37,191	18,057	974	10,122	94,113	70,893	165,006
1936-37 ..	29,214	39,265	19,030	1,043	10,408	98,960	73,790	172,750
1937-38 ..	30,758	42,640	20,035	825	10,994	105,252	77,611	182,863
1938-39 ..	31,952	42,018	19,860	832	10,121(c)	104,783	77,867	182,650
1939-40 - Month -								
July ..	32,775	41,022	19,160	)	103,908	103,908	77,304	181,212
August ..	32,957	41,910	18,990	)	104,808	104,808	77,884	182,692
September ..	33,047	40,604	19,515	)	104,117	104,117	77,439	181,556
October ..	32,944	41,347	18,990	)	)	104,232	77,513	181,745
November ..	32,827	41,304	19,340	)	)	104,422	77,635	182,057
December ..	32,944	43,057	22,125	830(b)	10,121(b)	109,077	80,638	189,715
January ..	31,843	43,035	19,340	)	105,169	105,169	78,117	183,286
February ..	32,030	43,642	19,160	)	)	105,783	78,513	184,296
March ..	32,026	44,404	19,160	)	)	106,541	79,002	185,543
April ..	31,991	45,069	19,337	)	)	107,348	79,523	186,871
May ..								
June ..								

- (a) Estimated. (b) Mining and Rural employment not available monthly. These approximate figures are inserted to enable a total, continuous with previous years, to be provided.
 (c) Subject to revision.

NOTE: Men enlisted in the armed forces are not in general counted as "employed".

TABLE S.II.

(Excludes Part-time Relief Workers)

Month	Commonwealth			State			Semi-Government			Local Government			Total			Employees of Contractors
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males
1938 -																
June ..	5,384	1,080	6,464	18,418	3,978	22,396	3,024	121	3,145	3,060	107	3,167	29,886	5,286	35,172	896
July ..	5,283	1,061	6,364	18,330	3,966	22,296	3,024	129	3,153	2,972	118	3,090	29,609	5,294	34,903	835
August ..	5,369	1,079	6,448	18,539	3,968	22,507	3,080	129	3,209	2,970	117	3,087	29,958	5,293	35,251	847
September	5,396	1,078	6,474	18,398	3,979	22,377	3,205	129	3,334	2,991	120	3,111	29,990	5,306	35,296	818
October ..	5,593	1,094	6,687	18,568	3,975	22,543	3,211	128	3,339	2,976	118	3,094	30,348	5,315	35,663	765
November	5,739	1,113	6,852	18,755	3,993	22,748	3,185	132	3,317	3,012	119	3,131	30,691	5,357	36,048	779
December	5,789	1,117	6,906	18,646	3,998	22,644	3,021	133	3,154	2,973	118	3,091	30,429	5,366	35,795	741
1939 -																
January ..	5,460	1,132	6,592	18,648	3,790	22,438	2,931	136	3,067	2,846	113	2,959	29,885	5,171	35,056	882
February	5,552	1,127	6,679	18,864	3,917	22,781	2,976	138	3,114	3,060	120	3,180	30,452	5,302	35,754	950
March ..	5,629	1,124	6,753	19,012	4,105	23,117	2,975	138	3,113	3,254	121	3,375	30,870	5,488	36,358	993
April ..	5,554	1,097	6,651	19,223	4,174	23,397	2,937	139	3,076	3,502	118	3,620	31,216	5,528	36,744	990
May ..	5,598	1,097	6,695	19,337	4,134	23,471	3,002	140	3,142	3,749	121	3,870	31,686	5,492	37,178	1,050
June ..	5,576	1,107	6,683	18,877	4,139	23,016	3,006	136	3,142	3,921	121	4,042	31,380	5,503	36,883	1,059
July ..	5,532	1,105	6,637	18,883	4,211	23,094	3,034	141	3,175	3,629	126	3,755	31,078	5,583	36,661	849
August ..	5,594	1,085	6,679	18,882	4,208	23,090	3,292	141	3,433	3,625	125	3,750	31,393	5,559	36,952	878
September	5,675	1,139	6,814	19,005	4,219	23,224	3,315	140	3,455	3,466	128	3,593	31,461	5,626	37,086	766
October ..	5,942	1,088	7,030	18,733	4,172	22,905	3,407	137	3,544	3,353	122	3,475	31,435	5,519	36,954	912
November	6,114	1,120	7,234	18,615	4,166	22,781	3,315	137	3,452	3,258	128	3,386	31,302	5,551	36,853	920
December	6,463	1,045	7,508	18,627	4,145	22,772	3,072	137	3,209	3,162	121	3,283	31,324	5,448	36,772	826
1940 -																
January ..	5,882	1,124	7,006	18,567	3,992	22,559	2,985	135	3,120	2,846	142	2,988	30,280	5,393	35,673	729
February	5,914	1,116	7,030	18,447	4,174	22,621	2,924	115	3,039	2,997	145	3,142	30,282	5,550	35,832	711
March ..	5,844	1,116	6,960	18,493	4,205	22,698	2,920	116	3,036	2,967	148	3,115	30,224	5,585	35,809	717
April ..	6,052	1,124	7,176	18,322	4,266	22,588	2,929	153	3,082	2,856	147	3,003	30,159	5,690	35,849	834
May ..																
June ..																

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TABLE S.III. NUMBER OF MEN REGISTERED AS UNEMPLOYED
AT END OF MONTH

Month	Metropolitan	Moonta	Kadina	Murray Bridge	Gawler	Port Pirie	Mount Gambier	Rest of State	TOTAL
<u>1939 -</u>									
July ..	7,082	119	125	69	138	60	70	993	8,656
August ..	7,049	172	158	95	118	69	135	1,063	8,859
September ..	7,414	144	133	78	109	51	81	814	8,824
October ..	6,729	140	113	38	79	42	64	652	7,857
November ..	5,789	71	103	49	68	56	54	725	6,915
December ..	4,837	64	67	37	60	33	23	498	5,619
<u>1940 -</u>									
January ..	5,263	105	159	55	82	62	35	813	6,574
February ..	4,762	144	158	62	81	44	39	656	5,946
March ..	4,683	91	104	49	71	49	29	418	5,494
April ..	4,942	109	122	22	79	79	45	662	6,060

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TABLE S.IV. UNEMPLOYMENT REGISTRATIONS ON LIVE REGISTER AT
END OF MONTH CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO GENERAL NATURE OF TRADE OR OCCUPATION.

General Nature of Trade or Occupation	Males										
	July 1938	1939						1940			
		July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
1. Wood, furniture, saw-mill, timber works etc. ..	91	131	149	221	166	142	88	134	110	106	136
2. Engineering, metal works etc. (a)	354	456	512	645	586	521	386	374	334	326	363
3. Food, Drink, Tobacco ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	67	66	59	59
4. Clothing, Hats, Boots etc. ..	10	15	16	17	14	14	14	18	13	12	15
5. Books, Printing, Binding ..	27	25	26	28	16	25	23	27	22	23	26
6. Other Manufacturing ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7. Building ..	352	461	487	577	535	471	352	428	401	328	348
8. Mining ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9. Rail and Tramway Services (b)	7,283	7,027	7,138	6,746	6,069	5,274	4,393	5,174	4,637	4,361	4,778
10. Other Land Transport ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11. Shipping, Wharf Labour ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12. Agricultural, Pastoral, Rural etc.	2	16	8	12	4	1	5	2	8	6	3
13. Domestic, Hotels, etc. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14. General Labourers and Miscellaneous (c) ..	267	525	523	578	467	467	358	350	355	273	332
<u>TOTAL:</u>	7,739	8,656	8,859	8,824	7,857	6,915	5,619	6,574	5,946	5,494	6,060

(a) Including railway and tramway workshops.

(b) Excluding railway and tramway workshops.

(c) Excluding railway and tramway employees and labourers employed on railway and tramway construction and maintenance.

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TABLE W.I.

ESTIMATED TOTAL WAGE OR SALARY EARNERS IN EMPLOYMENT.

Including Part-time Relief Workers in Actual Employment.

(See "Supplementary Notes", Table A.I. Issue No. 3.)

Period	Governmental (Commonwealth, State and Local)	Factories (excepting Working Proprietors)	Retail Shops and Warehouses	Mines	Rural (Permanent paid Employees)(a)	Total of Foregoing	Balance	Total Wage Earners in Employment
1933 - 30th June	24,231	13,858	28,085	5,817	13,130	85,124	28,034	113,158
Average for year -								
1933-34 ..	24,698	15,205	28,716	7,150	13,113	88,882	29,504	118,386
1934-35 ..	25,544	16,813	30,077	9,907	11,719	94,060	32,063	126,123
1935-36 ..	26,852	19,798	31,647	10,457	10,850	99,604	34,560	134,164
1936-37 ..	27,253	21,443	33,462	11,452	11,329	104,939	36,451	141,390
1937-38 ..	27,656	21,990	34,767	11,636	11,960	108,009	37,401	145,410
1938-39 ..	29,501	22,090	35,316	11,427	10,470(c)	108,804	38,291	147,095
1939-40 - Month -								
July ..	29,897	21,172	36,230	11,400(b)	10,400(b)	109,099	38,433	147,532
August ..	29,741	21,259	34,710			107,510	37,814	145,324
September ..	29,639	20,789	33,790			106,018	37,233	143,251
October ..	29,727	21,332	33,790			106,649	37,479	144,128
November ..	29,987	21,826	34,440			108,053	38,025	146,078
December ..	29,836	21,897	38,050			111,583	39,400	150,983
January ..	29,211	21,842	35,930			108,783	38,310	147,093
February ..	29,079	21,635	35,010			107,524	37,820	145,344
March ..	29,475	21,458	35,316			108,049	38,024	146,073
April ..	29,242	21,416	35,012			107,470	37,798	145,268
May ..								
June ..								

(a) Estimated. (b) Mining and Rural employment not available monthly. These approximate figures are inserted to enable a total, continuous with previous years, to be provided. (c) Subject to revision.

NOTE: Men enlisted in the armed forces are not in general counted as "employed".

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TABLE W.II.

NUMBERS OF PERSONNEL OF COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS,
SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES.

(Excludes Part-time Relief Workers)

Month	Commonwealth			State			Semi-Government			Local Government			Total			Employees of Contractors on Construction Work
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males
1938 -																
June ..	3,946	1,009	4,955	18,975	3,133	22,108	1,035	43	1,078	3,136	156	3,292	27,092	4,341	31,433	918
July ..	3,920	989	4,909	18,900	3,139	22,039	977	43	1,020	3,181	168	3,349	26,978	4,339	31,317	953
August ..	3,974	992	4,966	18,850	3,131	21,981	996	44	1,040	3,320	168	3,488	27,140	4,335	31,475	995
September ..	4,004	1,010	5,014	18,750	3,123	21,873	944	44	988	3,348	167	3,515	27,046	4,344	31,390	1,048
October ..	4,024	1,006	5,030	18,855	3,158	22,013	982	47	1,029	3,532	168	3,700	27,393	4,379	31,772	887
November ..	3,970	1,026	4,996	18,950	3,152	22,102	1,000	46	1,046	3,234	174	3,408	27,154	4,398	31,552	962
December ..	3,993	1,023	5,016	18,899	3,128	22,027	1,082	46	1,128	3,330	176	3,506	27,304	4,373	31,677	970
1939 -																
January ..	4,041	1,015	5,056	18,802	3,123	21,925	1,028	46	1,074	3,211	175	3,386	27,082	4,359	31,441	840
February ..	4,102	1,026	5,128	19,083	3,045	22,128	1,026	48	1,074	3,283	175	3,458	27,494	4,294	31,788	796
March ..	4,173	1,016	5,189	19,108	3,092	22,200	1,006	48	1,054	3,313	173	3,486	27,600	4,329	31,929	908
April ..	4,216	1,021	5,237	19,070	3,165	22,235	1,098	47	1,145	3,363	177	3,540	27,747	4,410	32,157	961
May ..	4,238	1,023	5,261	19,196	3,163	22,359	1,064	47	1,111	3,397	175	3,572	27,895	4,408	32,303	862
June ..	4,223	1,055	5,278	19,421	3,142	22,563	1,037	46	1,083	3,392	171	3,563	28,073	4,414	32,487	840
July ..	4,205	1,014	5,219	19,365	3,188	22,553	1,011	45	1,056	3,165	171	3,336	27,746	4,418	32,164	775
August ..	4,159	977	5,136	19,144	3,192	22,336	1,055	45	1,100	3,208	169	3,377	27,566	4,383	31,949	722
September ..	4,244	976	5,220	18,806	3,188	21,994	1,110	46	1,156	3,318	186	3,504	27,478	4,396	31,874	714
October ..	4,327	984	5,311	18,788	3,192	21,980	1,068	46	1,114	3,371	189	3,560	27,554	4,411	31,965	732
November ..	4,343	1,010	5,353	19,002	3,202	22,204	1,018	45	1,063	3,188	181	3,369	27,551	4,438	31,989	923
December ..	4,365	1,020	5,385	18,973	3,164	22,137	1,056	46	1,102	3,191	189	3,380	27,585	4,419	32,004	761
1940 -																
January ..	4,343	1,025	5,368	18,635	3,174	21,809	974	46	1,020	3,006	176	3,182	26,958	4,421	31,379	(a)
February ..	4,347	1,025	5,372	18,422	3,211	21,633	1,027	46	1,073	2,993	176	3,169	26,789	4,458	31,247	(a)
March ..	4,292	1,014	5,306	18,943	3,160	22,103	1,041	45	1,086	2,963	185	3,148	27,239	4,404	31,643	(a)
April ..	4,320	1,032	5,352	18,582	3,208	21,790	1,056	46	1,102	2,992	174	3,166	26,950	4,460	31,410	(a)
May ..																
June ..																

(a) Not available.

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TABLE W.III.

PERSONS REGISTERED (OR RE-REGISTERED) AS UNEMPLOYED AT STATE LABOUR EXCHANGES*

DURING THE UNDERMENTIONED MONTHS

Month	Perth		Fremantle		Goldfields		Other Centres		Total		
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Persons
<u>1939 -</u>											
July ..	908	210	241	-	2	-	18	-	1,169	210	1,379
August ..	1,024	241	260	-	7	-	20	-	1,311	241	1,552
September ..	1,069	225	14	-	2	-	21	-	1,106	225	1,331
October ..	840	204	201	-	5	-	28	-	1,074	204	1,278
November ..	721	163	114	-	4	-	28	-	867	163	1,030
December ..	538	130	61	-	4	-	15	-	618	130	748
<u>1940 -</u>											
January ..	858	206	164	-	5	-	5	-	1,032	206	1,238
February ..	684	200	106	-	5	-	6	-	801	200	1,001
March ..	773	146	127	-	6	-	14	-	920	146	1,066 [†]
April ..	809	217	107	-	5	-	12	-	933	217	1,150 [†]
May ..											

* Exclusive of the Boys' Employment Office.

† The March and April registrations include 75 and 150 men respectively who also registered with the Department of Employment for relief work or sustenance. In Table A.X. these men are excluded from the Labour Exchange registrations.

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TABLE T.I. EMPLOYMENT

(See "Supplementary Notes", Table A.I., Issue No. 3.)

The following table, compiled from the wages tax returns of private employers in respect of their employees, whether subject to or not subject to tax, and from returns of Commonwealth, State and Local Government employment, gives the best measure available of the course of total employment in Tasmania.

Period	Private Industry			Public Authorities			Total Employment - Public and Private		
	M.	F.	Total	M.	F.	Total	M.	F.	Total
1936-37	30,858	9,522	40,380	10,798	1,763	12,561	41,656	11,285	52,941
1937-38	34,001	10,685	44,686	10,581	1,825	12,406	44,582	12,510	57,092
1938-39	37,021	11,996	49,017	10,486	1,877	12,363	47,507	13,873	61,380
1937-38 -									
February	34,238	10,971	45,209	10,538	1,775	12,313	44,776	12,746	57,522
March ..	36,017	11,940	47,957	10,702	1,831	12,533	46,719	13,771	60,490
April ..	35,619	11,255	46,874	10,546	1,841	12,387	46,165	13,096	59,261
May ..	34,645	10,919	45,564	10,807	1,863	12,670	45,452	12,782	58,234
June ..	32,967	10,675	43,642	10,651	1,866	12,517	43,618	12,541	56,159
1938-39 -									
July ..	34,270	11,138	45,408	10,591	1,873	12,464	44,861	13,011	57,872
August ..	34,794	11,192	45,986	10,667	1,863	12,530	45,461	13,055	58,516
September	35,021	11,289	46,310	10,593	1,875	12,468	45,614	13,164	58,778
October	35,505	11,365	46,870	10,701	1,879	12,580	46,206	13,244	59,450
November	36,758	11,577	48,335	10,561	1,879	12,440	47,319	13,456	60,775
December	37,551	12,188	49,739	10,728	1,843	12,571	48,279	14,031	62,310
January	38,094	13,061	51,155	10,249	1,787	12,036	48,343	14,848	63,191
February	38,523	12,662	51,185	10,624	1,893	12,517	49,147	14,555	63,702
March ..	40,816	13,428	54,244	10,637	1,903	12,540	51,453	15,331	66,784
April ..	38,913	12,355	51,268	10,167	1,895	12,062	49,080	14,250	63,330
May ..	37,951	12,003	49,954	10,111	1,911	12,022	48,062	13,914	61,976
June ..	36,052	11,695	47,747	10,208	1,925	12,133	46,260	13,620	59,880
1939-40 -									
July ..	36,769	11,473	48,242	10,100	1,948	12,048	46,869	13,421	60,290
August ..	36,976	11,496	48,472	10,317	1,958	12,275	47,293	13,454	60,747
September	36,942	11,650	48,592	10,384	1,950	12,334	47,326	13,600	60,926
October	37,743	11,721	49,464	10,665	1,948	12,613	48,408	13,669	62,077
November	38,482	12,190	50,672	10,672	1,963	12,635	49,154	14,153	63,307
December	39,605	13,208	52,813	10,960	1,955	12,915	50,565	15,163	65,728
January	41,532	13,763	55,295	10,828	1,865	12,693	52,360	15,628	67,988
February	41,220	13,078	54,298	11,051	1,993	13,044	52,271	15,071	67,342
March ..	41,590	14,793	56,383	11,097	1,999	13,096	52,687	16,792	69,479
April ..	40,299	14,427	54,726	11,059	2,039	13,098	51,358	16,466	67,824
May ..									

NOTES.

1. For each month of 1937-38 and 1938-39 the figures in the table may be regarded as providing a virtually complete record of total employment based on final collected figures. They are a combination of monthly figures received currently and annually, covering both private and public employment. They are deficient only to the inappreciable extent that some relief and other intermittent workers and domestic workers in private homes are not covered by the monthly returns. On the other hand, to the extent that they embrace the majority of workers subject to intermittent employment over the whole year, they reflect fully the seasonal and all other influences upon employment in Tasmania.

2. For the months since June, 1939, the figures are estimates based upon the current monthly movements of all public authority employment and of about 44 per cent. of total private employment. For a given month the figure of total private employment of the corresponding month of the previous year is changed in the ratio of the change of the current figure of private employment. The indication of the position for all employment in Tasmania given by this technical procedure must be read in the light of other indications of current change.

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TABLE T.II. NUMBERS OF PERSONNEL OF COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS,
SEMI-GOVERNMENT BODIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES
(EXCLUDES PART-TIME RELIEF WORKERS).

Month	Commonwealth			State			Semi-Government			Local Government			Total			Private Contract		
	Males	Fe- males	Persons	Males	Fe- males	Persons	Males	Fe- males	Persons	Males	Fe- males	Persons	Males	Fe- males	Persons	Males	Fe- males	Persons
<u>1938 -</u>																		
June ..	1,338	323	1,661	5,978	1,431	7,409	886	38	924	2,378	66	2,444	10,580	1,858	12,438	586	1	587
July ..	1,347	328	1,675	5,907	1,427	7,334	890	40	930	2,098	70	2,168	10,242	1,865	12,107	525	1	526
August ..	1,340	330	1,670	6,109	1,421	7,530	815	36	851	2,068	68	2,136	10,332	1,855	12,187	607	1	608
September ..	1,346	332	1,678	6,048	1,428	7,476	859	36	895	2,224	71	2,295	10,477	1,867	12,344	580	1	581
October ..	1,368	337	1,705	6,138	1,429	7,567	878	37	915	1,960	68	2,028	10,344	1,871	12,215	629	1	630
November ..	1,369	344	1,713	5,922	1,429	7,351	882	28	910	2,027	70	2,097	10,200	1,871	12,071	640	1	641
December ..	1,372	346	1,718	6,238	1,387	7,625	797	38	835	1,979	70	2,049	10,386	1,841	12,227	569	1	570
<u>1939 -</u>																		
January ..	1,367	339	1,706	5,775	1,326	7,101	823	36	859	1,943	77	2,020	9,908	1,778	11,686	585	1	586
February ..	1,412	362	1,774	6,043	1,419	7,462	849	41	890	2,231	71	2,302	10,535	1,893	12,428	577	1	578
March ..	1,408	344	1,752	6,169	1,449	7,618	838	38	876	2,141	72	2,213	10,556	1,903	12,459	596	1	597
April ..	1,439	347	1,786	5,804	1,438	7,242	776	40	816	1,923	70	1,993	9,942	1,895	11,837	592	1	593
May ..	1,417	350	1,767	5,970	1,451	7,421	714	39	753	2,096	71	2,167	10,197	1,911	12,108	605	1	606
June ..	1,402	366	1,768	5,782	1,449	7,231	692	37	729	2,101	73	2,174	9,977	1,925	11,902	580	1	581
July ..	1,439	374	1,813	5,739	1,458	7,197	724	41	765	1,984	75	2,059	9,886	1,948	11,834	592	1	593
August ..	1,444	375	1,819	5,878	1,467	7,345	801	42	843	1,997	74	2,071	10,120	1,958	12,078	496	1	497
September ..	1,450	377	1,827	5,950	1,458	7,408	814	39	853	2,069	76	2,145	10,283	1,950	12,233	548	1	549
October ..	1,444	383	1,827	6,230	1,452	7,682	795	39	834	2,083	74	2,157	10,552	1,948	12,500	534	-	534
November ..	1,446	401	1,847	6,279	1,443	7,722	854	41	895	2,011	78	2,089	10,590	1,963	12,553	529	1	530
December ..	1,480	399	1,879	6,530	1,439	7,969	874	41	915	2,010	77	2,087	10,894	1,956	12,850	493	1	494
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January ..	1,526	410	1,936	6,461	1,335	7,796	950	43	993	1,852	77	1,929	10,789	1,865	12,654	406	-	406
February ..	1,511	414	1,925	6,534	1,458	7,992	1,146	44	1,190	1,818	77	1,895	11,009	1,993	13,002	476	-	476
March ..	1,521	412	1,933	6,503	1,462	7,965	1,214	45	1,259	1,808	80	1,888	11,046	1,999	13,045	530	-	530
April ..	1,558	425	1,983	6,293	1,473	7,766	1,224	59	1,283	1,933	82	2,015	11,008	2,039	13,047	(a)	(a)	(a)
May ..																		

(a) Not available.

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TABLE T.III.

PERSONS REGISTERED AS UNEMPLOYED AT STATE
LABOUR EXCHANGES, 1939-40.

Locality	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
Hobart ..	673	692	590	494	394	327	171	217	190	209
Launceston ..	410	352	269	314	234	247	189	161	155	162
Rural ..	1,232	1,325	1,089	795	651	445	(a)	(a)	342	(a)
<u>TOTAL:</u>	2,315	2,369	2,048	1,603	1,279	1,019	(a)	(a)	687	(a)

(a) Not available.

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TABLE T.IV.

UNEMPLOYMENT REGISTRATIONS ON LIVE REGISTER AT END OF QUARTER, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO
GENERAL NATURE OF TRADE OR OCCUPATION.

General Nature of Trade or Occupation	1938	1939				1940
	October-December	January-March	April-June	July-September	October-December	January-March
I. Wood, Furniture, Sawmill, Timber workers, etc. ..	4	7	7	6	5	1
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc. ^(a)	11	12	16	15	12	6
III. Food, Drink and Tobacco Manufactures ..	12	11	10	8	6	4
IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots etc. ..	20	13	14	14	8	9
V. Books, Printing, Binding, etc.	1	-	-	-	-	-
VI. Other Manufacturing ..	3	2	2	3	3	2
VII. Building ..	13	22	25	28	11	16
VIII. Mining ..	16	11	12	12	9	4
IX. Rail and Tram Services ^(b) ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
X. Other Land Transport ..	12	19	24	17	13	11
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour etc.	10	7	11	9	6	5
XII. Agricultural, Pastoral, Rural, etc. ^(c) ..	7	6	5	6	5	5
XIII. Domestic, Hotels etc. ..	5	6	11	10	9	4
XIV. General Labourers and Miscel- laneous ^(d) ..	1,414	1,242	2,048	1,920	932	620
TOTAL:	1,528	1,358	2,185	2,048	1,019	687

(a) Including railway and tramway workshops.

(b) Excluding railway and tramway workshops, but including construction and maintenance of permanent way and works.

(c) Including Horticulture and Viticulture.

(d) Excluding railway and tramway employees and labourers employed on railway and tramway construction and maintenance.

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AUSTRALIA.

TABLE A.I. ESTIMATED TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, ALL STATES.

This table brings together the estimates of total wage or salary earners in employment in each State as shown in Tables N.I., V.I., Q.I. (modified), S.I., W.I., and T.I.

The methods of estimation used for New South Wales and Tasmania are practically identical, information about private employment in both States being given fairly comprehensively in wage tax returns.

The estimates for Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia are based on the total of wage or salary earners (full and part-time) recorded as actually employed at the date of the Census of 1933. It has been assumed that since then total employment has fluctuated in the same directions, though not quite in the same degree, as fluctuations in that part of total employment which can be currently "measured", either by actual counting or by estimation from "sample" data.

Assumptions about the relative degree of fluctuation in the "measured" and "unmeasured" fields of employment must necessarily be based on a general assessment of probabilities. The nature and long-term trend of the more important elements in the field which is currently "unmeasured" (but which, nevertheless, has been recorded in some detail at the Censuses of 1911, 1921 and 1933) suggest the desirability for this purpose of distinguishing between that part of the "unmeasured" field of employment which is relatively elastic, and that part which is relatively inelastic. For the period subsequent to the 1933 Census, therefore, the inelastic part has been assumed (partly as a technical device) to have remained completely constant in Victoria and South Australia, while the elastic part of the field has been assumed to have fluctuated in those two States, proportionately with fluctuations in the elastic elements in the measured field. In Western Australia it has been assumed that the development of the gold mining industry has given about as much elasticity to most of the "unmeasured" field as has been experienced by the "measured".

The validity of these assumptions is naturally open to some doubt, particularly in respect of periods for which only "sample" factory and retail shop employment data are available. The following table summarises the position for a recent year:

Employment Fields	Victoria		South Australia		Western Australia	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
A. <u>Measured</u> -						
Governmental employment ..	97,177	16.2	31,952	17.5	29,501	20.1
Factory employment ..	193,854	32.2	42,018	23.0	22,090	15.0
Retail Shop employment ..	48,800	8.1	19,860	10.9	35,316 ^(a)	24.0
Mining employment ..	4,044	0.7	832	0.5	11,427	7.8
Rural employment ..	27,355	4.5	10,121	5.5	10,470	7.1
<u>Total measured:</u>	371,230	61.7	104,783	57.4	108,804	74.0
B. <u>Unmeasured</u> -						
Elastic elements ..	180,023	29.9	60,520	33.1	38,291	26.0
Inelastic elements ..	50,520	8.4	17,347	9.5	-	-
<u>Total unmeasured:</u>	230,543	38.3	77,867	42.6	38,291	26.0
C. <u>Estimated Total Employment:</u>	601,773	100.0	182,650	100.0	147,095	100.0

(a) Includes Warehouses. The index of employment in retail shops is applied during current months to the total figure which cannot be split into its two constituents.
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The percentages shown in this table give some indication of the degree of reliance to be placed on the assumptions made above in respect of periods for which "final" (or recorded) factory, retail shop, mining and rural employment statistics have become available. (The figures for mining and rural employment are estimates of wage or salary earners in permanent - as distinct from casual - employment, derived from recorded figures of all persons permanently "engaged"). Until the "final" statistics do become available, however, the figures given for these elements are themselves estimates, based (in the case of factory and retail shop employment) on returns from "sample" establishments. It is also to be noted that rural employment and mining employment during current months are assumed to remain constant at the last recorded annual average.

The number of Queensland employees in work is estimated by the Queensland Bureau of Industry by totalling the number of insured employees, the estimated number of persons evading insurance, the estimated number of employees under 18 in insurable work, the estimated number of employees on salaries above limits for insurance (including exempt managers and overseers), and the estimated number of uninsurable employees in work. Whereas the monthly figures of employees in work shown in Table Q.I. represent, for each month, the average number for the three months ending in the month stated, adjusted to eliminate seasonal variations, the monthly figures shown for Queensland in Table A.I. are the estimates for the three months ending in the month stated unadjusted for seasonal variations. They are therefore comparable in the latter respect with the monthly figures for other States.

In other respects the employment estimates for Queensland are not strictly comparable with those of other States. They are based on the number of wage or salary earners in full-time (not part-time) employment recorded at the Census of 1933, adjusted by the addition of the full-time equivalent of the estimated number in part-time employment in private industry at that date, less a percentage (3.2%) of the total working population to allow for an assumed over-statement of employment by retired persons, etc., and less a percentage (14.7%) of recorded unemployment to allow for an assumed under-statement of unemployment.

The figures for New South Wales include the equivalent of part-time relief workers in actual employment on jobs provided by public authorities. The figures for Tasmania do not include the full-time equivalent of the number of workers for sustenance, which in no year since 1935-36 has exceeded an average of about 300. So far as Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia are concerned, the numbers of part-time relief workers in actual employment are, by implication from the methods used, included in the "unmeasured" field.

TABLE A.II. MONTHLY INDEX OF FACTORY EMPLOYMENT.

Comprehensive statistics of employment in factories in each month of the year are collected at annual intervals from all factories in Australia. The tabulated results for each year ending 30th June usually become available about the following April or May. These "final" figures form the basis of the index-numbers given in this table, which are brought up to date by using information collected monthly from a number of "sample" factories in each State. (A larger "sample" is obtained for New South Wales by using data given in wage tax returns). Final figures are used wherever possible and the extent of their use is indicated in the footnote to the table. The accuracy of the estimates based on the "samples", when tested by "final" figures, has proved in the past to be reasonably satisfactory, and a comparison of the results for each State appears to indicate that the accuracy of the estimates does not bear any close relationship to the relative sizes of the "samples". The table is intended to indicate the trends in factory employment rather than to provide an exact measure of actual numbers employed.

"The "unadjusted" index gives the best measure available of the absolute changes in factory employment. In order to make some allowance for the gradual increase in the numbers seeking employment, the index is divided by an index of the numbers of the "employee population", which is arbitrarily defined for this purpose as the number of persons who described themselves as employees in the 1933 Census, adjusted to allow for subsequent deaths, migration and changes in ages.

TABLE A.IV. MONTHLY INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT IN RETAIL STORES.

These index-numbers are not available before July, 1933. As an annual
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census of employment in retail stores is not taken, there is no means of ascertaining how accurately the movement of employment in reporting stores represents all employment in the retail field. Consequently these index-numbers are much less reliable than the index-numbers of employment in factories. The Australian index is an average of the State indexes weighted by the numbers of persons returned as engaged in "Commerce" in the 1933 Census. This census industry class "Commerce" comprises both wholesale and retail dealing, and it is not possible to obtain separate figures for the latter.

TABLE A.V. NUMBERS OF PERSONNEL OF COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES.

This table, which is still undergoing revision and refinement, includes "temporary" and "casual" employees (other than part-time relief workers) as well as permanent officers and employees. Enlisted men in the defence forces of the Commonwealth are not included. The comprehensiveness of the figures given for "employees of contractors on construction work" has not yet been finally established. Some of these employees are included in relevant tables relating to private employment given elsewhere in the Circular.

TABLE A.VIII. QUARTERLY PERCENTAGE OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS, BY STATES.

The only continuous long-period index of variations and trends in unemployment in Australia is given by the mid-quarterly returns of unemployment furnished by reporting trade unions. The membership of the reporting unions in November, 1939, was 479,348, representing approximately 54 per cent. of the total membership of all trade unions, 20.6 per cent. of the estimated total of 2,323,000 available wage earners and 24.7 per cent. of 1,939,000 available adult wage earners (aged 20 years and over). The membership of the reporting trade unions was composed of 84 per cent. males and 16 per cent. females.

The quarterly unemployment percentages reported by the trade unions have, in the absence of any more comprehensive measure of unemployment over a long period, been frequently taken as a rough indication of the percentage of the total wage or salary earning group unemployed at any time. The trade union percentages, however, must be interpreted in the light (a) of the accuracy of individual returns, which are of necessity based on imperfect information, (b) of the variable number and the unequal and variable membership of the reporting unions in the different States, (c) of the sex composition of the reporting unions, and (d) of the degree to which membership of the reporting unions is a representative sample of the total wage or salary earning group available for employment.

The numbers shown as unemployed refer to those who were unemployed from lack of work, sickness or accident (but not because of industrial disputes) for more than three days during the week corresponding most closely to the mid-period of the middle month of the quarter. Returns are not collected from unions whose members are in permanent employment, such as railway and tramway employees, and public servants, or from unions whose members are casually employed, such as wharf labourers, shearers, etc.

A comparison of the trade union figures with those collected in the Census of 1933 suggests that, whereas the trade union percentage for Australia as a whole might afford a rough indication during intercensal years of the proportion of the total wage-earning group unemployed in the mid-month of each quarter, and therefore a rough indication of the trend of unemployment generally throughout the country, the percentages in any one State cannot be used in the same way with equal assurance, nor can the percentages for the States be used safely for interstate comparisons of general unemployment.

TABLE A.IX. QUARTERLY PERCENTAGE OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS.

The comments in the note to Table A.VIII apply generally to this table also. Trade union percentages by industrial groups are available for each State, but are not included here. In some States the "sample" representing a single industrial group may be very inadequate, and comparison between States of the movements of unemployment in the group might be misleading. Even the figures in the table here given (A.IX) should be used only for comparisons from quarter to quarter for the same industrial group, and not for comparisons between groups.

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NOTES SUPPLIED BY GOVERNMENT STATISTICIAN.

TABLES N.I. AND N.II. SUMMARY OF EMPLOYMENT.

Number Available for Employment: This may be defined, roughly, as the current equivalent of the number of persons who stated in 1933 that they were in the wage-earning group, but it is exclusive of about 16,000 persons "unavailable" through illness, etc. The number "available for employment" is adjusted from year to year for natural increase and net migration. (It is hoped that data from National Register will provide some check on these estimates). Monthly totals are interpolated. It should be kept in mind that (within probably narrow limits) "number available for employment" may fluctuate from year to year in accordance with availability of employment itself. No calculable allowance can be made on this account.

Total Private Employment and Local Government Employees (as here shown) differ slightly from totals hitherto published. A few thousand Local Government employees have been transferred from "Private Employment" to "Local Government Employees", where they rightly belong.

Government Employees include all direct employees of State, Commonwealth and semi-governmental bodies whether on loan or revenue account, but do not include relief workers. Details as to Government Employees are shown in Table N.VI.

SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING EMPLOYMENT IN DECEMBER.

The numbers shown as employed in December include a considerable number of students, married women, etc., who are not normally wage earners but who "take a job" at Christmas time. They are not included in the "number available for employment" (as defined above). No attempt is made to adjust "number available for employment" in accordance with seasonal fluctuations in availability. So far as has been observed in New South Wales such seasonal fluctuation at other periods is not so extensive as at Christmas time. In calculating percentage of employed and unemployed, those seasonally available only are estimated and omitted both from available and employed.

SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING "NUMBER AVAILABLE" SINCE AUGUST, 1939.

The "number available for employment" since August last has not been adjusted to exclude wage earners who have enlisted. The number of these is being ascertained. It is believed that apart from the militia they number about 26,000 (end of May, 1940) from New South Wales. Those of them, however, who still appear on pay sheets of employers (for difference in pay) are included as in employment.

On the other hand, "number available" has not been adjusted to allow for attraction of women, youths, etc., into employment under war conditions when employment is readily available for them.

The numbers involved are not as yet large in relation to total available or total employed. The problem of adjustment is difficult and special data are being sought.

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN "NUMBER AVAILABLE" AND "NUMBER EMPLOYED".

If the "number of available wage earners and the number employed" could both be ascertained with absolute precision, the difference would represent precisely the number unemployed. But it will be obvious to any who have studied the matter that "wage earner" is not a rigidly limited category. There is a margin who are sometimes wage earners, sometimes self employers, sometimes employers, sometimes dependants. It is true that this is not a wide margin considered in relation to a total group of 900,000. But considered in relation to a difference between two approximate totals of that order of magnitude the margin may be, and is at times, appreciable. Read

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broadly, the difference between "available" and "Employed" gives some indication of absolute number unemployed and, more especially, of the trend of unemployment. It is not and cannot be a precise measure of unemployment.

This "difference" is shown below in comparison with the number of registered adult male unemployed. Both of these figures have a fairly definite meaning, but they relate to different aspects of unemployment. (See comment below).

Month	1938		1939		1940	
	"Available" minus "Employed"	Registered Adult Male Unemployed	"Available" minus "Employed"	Registered Adult Male Unemployed	"Available" minus "Employed"	Registered Adult Male Unemployed
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
January ..	57.0	45.0	71.8	50.8	58.0	47.4
February ..	44.3	45.6	60.0	50.1	51.2	46.4
March ..	44.7	45.4	61.0	49.9		
April ..	45.0	45.3	58.1	48.9		
May ..	46.1	47.5	60.3	50.1		
June ..	43.0	48.4	66.5	50.9		
July ..	45.4	49.3	65.2	52.1		
August ..	51.0	49.4	68.0	52.9		
September	46.3	48.5	63.3	52.3		
October ..	50.4	48.3	53.7	51.3		
November ..	48.4	47.3	48.7	47.6		
December ..	-	47.2	-	45.5		

Note: The numbers of registered female and juvenile unemployed in the above period were relatively small; these are not included above.

COMMENT.

"Registered adult male" unemployed represent, largely, men in necessity through long unemployment and are therefore seeking sustenance or relief work, or men who normally look to governmental construction works for their employment. They do not normally include craftsmen, nor those semi-skilled and unskilled who are unemployed for short periods. The numbers tend to fluctuate (inversely) in accordance with total employment, but are very largely influenced by fluctuations in volume of Government construction works. They include men on relief works and are affected at times by change in classification of jobs and by administrative changes. They include some non-wage earners (e.g. small farmers in distress) and are the sink of needy breadwinners and not exclusively of needy wage earners. The number registered is intended to be exclusive of persons unemployed through illness, etc. The number registered has shown relatively little fluctuation in the past two years.

"Number Available" minus "Number Employed" is a fairly sensitive measure of fluctuations in unemployment though not necessarily of the absolute magnitude of unemployment. It represents difference between estimated number of wage earners available for work and number on pay sheets as at middle of month.

In the middle of 1938 "number available minus number employed" was less than number registered. At the time employment had reached a very high level and there was a shortage of certain kinds of labour. It is possible to infer that "number available" was underestimated by perhaps 5,000; 10,000, or possibly 15,000. If this is so, it would imply a similar condition at other periods unless the abundant employment in certain fields had "attracted" non-wage-earners into employment only temporarily. Reference to the figures for 1939 provides interesting sidelights on either hypothesis and raises interesting questions as to what is to be expected in the near future.

It is important to avoid comparing current records of "unemployment" without defining terms. It is also important to avoid thinking of unemployment as though all unemployment is of the same kind, i.e., due to a general deficiency in volume of work. Everybody knows, on reflection, that this is not the case. But the fact is often ignored in discussion. It may be partly due to a deficiency of certain kinds of work for which labour is available - coupled with a superabundance of work for

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which suitable labour is not available. This has special relevance to the tables above.

No country has as yet devised a complete and continuous means of recording (and dissecting) unemployment. We are working on the problem, but still have a long way to go before solving it.

The difference between "number available" and "number employed" for New South Wales is a measure of difference between number in work and number estimated to be available by reference to conditions as at a past point of time. Obviously it needs checking and correcting by periodical ascertainment of facts, and the census method at present is the only available check. It is hoped that data from the National Register will provide a means of testing estimates for 1939 and re-aligning the basis if necessary.

TABLE N.IV. PERSONS EMPLOYED BY PRIVATE EMPLOYERS WITH TEN OR MORE TAXABLE EMPLOYEES.

This table shows by sample the trend of private employment monthly in ten major groups (subject to qualification in regard to "Building and Contracting" and "Rural Industries").

The classification places each employer's return in the group corresponding to his principal activity, and includes all of his employees in that group.

Returns of these larger employers cover nearly 60 per cent. of all private employment. Tests have indicated that fluctuations in the remaining 40 per cent. of employment are very closely in accordance with those of the 60 per cent. which is recorded monthly.

The difference between "Total of foregoing" (over 10) and "Number of Persons Privately Employed" represent employees of the "smaller" employers (under 10) but include some (about 20,000) who are employed in establishments which have increased their number of employees above 10 or who fluctuate above and below 10. This course has been followed in order that the number of employees in the "over 10" group may be taken as a sample.

Notes on Numbers shown in Groups.

1. Mines and Quarries: The totales are virtually complete. Where men temporarily idle on major stoppages are included, a note is inserted.
2. Retail Trade: The numbers here shown are approximately 63 per cent. of total retail employment.
3. Wholesale Trade: The numbers here shown are estimated to be 90 per cent. of total employment in wholesale trade.
4. Total Transport includes shipping and private land transport other than railways, tramways and other Government transport.
5. Factories and Workshops represent approximately 80 per cent. of factory employment.
6. Building and Contracting relate to the larger jobs only and include very little home building employment. The numbers are possibly 20 per cent. to 25 per cent. of total building employment and cannot be considered as representing trend in building employment as a whole.
7. Rural Industries: The numbers are possibly about 10 per cent. of rural employment and include considerable seasonal employment, such as shearing. They cannot be relied upon as showing trend of rural employment, but do illustrate in some degree the seasonal movement.

TABLE N.IV. FACTORY EMPLOYMENT BY CLASSES.

The total is a reliable indication of fluctuations of total factory employment. The numbers in individual groups indicate group trends, but not necessarily degree of change in groups from month to month. Further research is being undertaken with a view to getting reliable group samples.

The number of factories shown in the respective groups exclude some now "over 10" who were formerly under 10 and some which fluctuate above and below 10. The number of factories with 10 or more employees has not in fact decreased, although the number in the sample has decreased. The employment sample is a reliable sample and has been kept so by careful investigation.

TABLE N.VI. GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT.

The record of State employment is complete.

The number shown as employed directly on loan works may exclude a very few who are employed on minor State loan works. Particulars from certain of the smaller semi-governmental bodies have still to be obtained.

The numbers of Commonwealth employees are still under investigation and may need some revision in recent months.

The number employed on State works by contractors may not be quite complete and is still under investigation. The number employed on Commonwealth works by private contractors is being ascertained.

The number of Local Government employees is partly estimated and is complete.